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GERMANS FAIL AT ALL POINTS IN THE WEST

Lose Hill No. 957 in the Vosges; Artillery Exchanges at Several Places

NO DAMAGE FROM BOMBS DROPPED ON VERDUN

Enemy Delivers Attack Near Arracourt, Lorraine, but is Repulsed

Paris, Feb. 12.—The French war office today issued a report on the progress of fighting which reads as follows: "From the sea to the Lys the Germans yesterday bombarded violently Neuport and the country of the dunes. Their artillery fired on Ypres during the night of February 11-12, and our positions to the east of Ypres during the day of February 12. Our artillery replied to this fire effectively.

"From the Lys to the Somme, yesterday witnessed intermittent cannonading. In the region of Arras, near Carancy, we caused the explosion of two mines situated at outposts held by the enemy.

"On the Somme, between the Oise and the Aisne, as well as in Champagne, there was very great activity on the part of the artillery of both sides.

"Some ten aeroplanes have flown over the town of Verdun. The bombs thrown by them did no damage. During the night of February 11-12 there were two German attacks on our trenches in the forest of Caures, to the north of Verdun, which were repulsed.

"In Lorraine the German attack on our positions at Arracourt, mentioned in the report last night, was led by one company, while at the same time another German company tried with no greater success to occupy our positions at Ronzey.

"In Alsace the enemy had bombarded the positions which we took February 12 in the vicinity of Mount Suedling. Because of the thorough investigation of our trenches the effects of the bombardment were insignificant."

Paris, Feb. 12.—The official communication issued by the War Office last night was as follows: "Rather lively artillery actions have taken place in Belgium and Champagne. In the Ardennes, between Pontaine Madame and portions of Marie Therese, the activity of the enemy has been manifested only by the explosion of mines and the throwing of bombs, to which we have replied. The infantry made no sorties from the trenches.

"In Lorraine we have repelled a German attack near Arracourt. "In the Vosges our light infantry captured hill No. 957, about 300 metres north of the Sudenne farm, in the region of Hartmann-Wellerkopf. "This brilliant feat was accomplished in a violent snow storm. Our troops suffered only minor losses."

MORE AERIAL RAIDS EXPECTED TO FOLLOW

Britain Has Many Aeroplanes Under Construction and Many Pilots in Training

London, Feb. 12.—The retirement of the Russian forces in East Prussia and the great British air raid on the Belgian coast appear to-day as the biggest factors in the military circles. On the other hand the diplomatic field would seem to be dominated by the American notes to Great Britain and Germany, especially that to Germany, where the newspapers and the public, according to news dispatches reaching here from Berlin, are insisting in spite of Washington's protest and in spite of possible consequences, that the German submarine policy must be pursued relentlessly.

The gist of German opinion, as it has been thus far transmitted to London, appears to be that neutrals have been sufficiently warned to keep out of the military arena, and inasmuch as Germany is facing starvation at the hands of Great Britain, there is no other course for her to pursue.

The fact that a British air raid in such force as was shown in the aerial expedition of yesterday has been carried out successfully over the German positions in Belgium, is taken in London to indicate that much aerial activity against German submarine bases, promised at the time when the German policy of blockade was announced, is to be continued. Great Britain has many new aeroplanes under construction and many pilots in training, and it is now predicted that yesterday's raid was only a forerunner of more extensive visitations.

Several British shipowners are offering prizes of \$1,000 to any merchant ship which rams and sinks a German submarine.

SAYS UNITED STATES' SHIPS WILL SUFFER

Count Von Reventlow States Washington Demands Will Not Alter Germany's Purpose

NO EFFORT TO IDENTIFY NEUTRAL NATIONS' SHIPS

Boastfully Declares That Pressure by United States Cannot Affect Kaiser's Government

Berlin, Feb. 12.—The text of the American note which was presented yesterday to the foreign secretary by the American ambassador has not been made known to the German press and the comment has been based entirely on news agency dispatches from Washington giving a brief synopsis of the communication.

The Koelnische Zeitung has republished prominently from the Tages Zeitung an article by Count von Reventlow, the naval critic, concerning Germany's declaration of a marine war zone around the British Isles. In this article Count von Reventlow refers to the report that the Washington government intended to ask how Germany proposed to make neutral shipping safe in these waters, and says:

"This marine war zone was announced by the German government for the very reason that safety of navigation therein cannot be guaranteed. The vessels of neutrals enter upon the war zone only at their own risk. This condition of affairs, and the consequences it may bring after February 18 cannot be changed or influenced by any representations or demands from Washington. It is equally out of the question that the identity of every ship with a neutral flag be ascertained. A submarine mine cannot learn this identity and such a course is equally impossible for a submarine boat."

In concluding his article, Count von Reventlow says: "The German declaration in itself must furnish proof to the Americans that the possible destruction of American ships after February 18 cannot afford the Washington government any ground for complaint of any nature against the German government, but that the American government and the ships themselves must bear the responsibility if they permit vessels to enter this war zone."

"We gather the impressions here from expressions reaching Germany from across the water. If the American people believe they can handle the German government as they desire, by pressure and threats they will fool themselves."

London, Feb. 12.—The Daily Mail quotes the following as the latest utterance of Count Reventlow:

"The American press apparently has been inquiring if Germany wants more enemies. We desire to call the attention of the American press to the fact that this tone is entirely out of place in dealing with the German empire and people. We can imagine no threat and no measure on the part of the United States capable of intimidating Germany or persuading her to abandon or in any way modify her war against the British trade off the British and Irish coasts.

"The German government is fully conscious of all the possible consequences of its action."

MUST NOT LEAVE MEANS FOR GERMAN RECOVERY

Russian Finance Minister Says Enemy Need Not Look to Russians to Buy Goods.

Paris, Feb. 12.—"The meeting of the finance ministers of the Triple Entente was not merely to organize for an economic victory," declared P. Bark, the Russian minister of finance, in an interview with the Matin. "We must not be obliged some day, after the war is ended, to pay a sort of indemnity to the Germans by leaving open to them a means of recouping and enriching themselves at our expense in our own markets."

"Germany, having demolished the factories in Belgium, Poland and Northern France, perhaps thinks to force us to buy from her goods we cannot make ourselves. Let her be quite sure our markets are closed to her forever."

SPAIN WOULD END ANARCHY IN MEXICO

London, Feb. 12.—The Spanish government has made application to the powers in order to obtain joint action to end what is termed a state of anarchy in Mexico, according to a dispatch from Madrid to the Exchange Telegraph company.

AN ADDLED EGG.



PLAN TO LET GERMANY WASTE ITS STRENGTH

London Times' Opinion of Russia's Action and Its Effect on Allies' Campaign

London, Feb. 12.—Commenting on the Russian retirement in East Prussia, the Times today draws from it a wholesome lesson on the progress of the whole campaign.

"We shall do well," says the Times, "to take seriously to heart Russia's frank statement that her withdrawal signifies that a great and long operation is beginning. It may be interpreted to mean that no general Russian advance may be expected for some time to come. The process of letting the Germans further exhaust their reserve strength by violent, though not very productive, attacks will have to be continued for a considerable time longer."

"Probably the necessity thus disclosed will be found to apply to a considerable extent to the western as well as the eastern theatre, and if this conclusion is accurate, it will serve to hasten the very large assumptions built during the last few days upon the precautionary measures instituted in Germany with regard to food supplies."

"The Germans are by no means starving. They are not short of munitions of war and they are able to rush their new formations to the front ahead of our own. These factors will govern the situation for a period, the length of which cannot yet be determined, and the public had better make up their minds to the prospect. It does not mean that the enemy will materially improve their position.

"If the heavy slaughter before Warsaw last week and their severe losses in the Carpathians give the measure of their chances, they will make little real progress, but the hour has not yet come when the allies can strike simultaneously and decisively."

BADLY INJURED WHILE IN PURSUIT OF SPEEDERS

Vancouver, Feb. 12.—Police Constable Thomas Murray was so badly injured in an automobile accident at 5 a. m. to-day that he will probably die. In vain he had hailed a party of joyriders, who went on unheeding, and Murray, commanding a second machine, started in pursuit. The driver evidently ignored a line of red lights stretched across a street that was undergoing repairs and the car turned over. The policeman suffered concussion of the brain. The party of joyriders meantime escaped.

Report That Austria Seized Wheat Ships Consigned to Italy

Ancona, Italy, Feb. 12.—Considerable excitement has been caused here by the report that Austria has confiscated two steamers loaded with wheat for Ancona and Venice, taking them to Trieste, Austria.

BRITAIN IS BUILDING ZEPPELIN DESTROYERS

Man Supervising Construction Says New Airship Will Be Very Swift

New York, Feb. 12.—Much after the manner in which the torpedo-boat destroyer was developed after the torpedo boat had become a recognized arm of the navy, so Great Britain is busy preparing a fleet of Zeppelin destroyers, according to T. R. MacMeichen, who arrived in New York on board the Adriatic, of the White Star line, for a few days' stop before returning to England, where he is supervising the work of their construction.

He says that these new vessels are the balloons of the dirigible type about 230 feet long and 30 feet in diameter. They are capable of extremely high speed and carry a very small crew. Instead of being armed with light rapid-firing guns, they have torpedo tubes. The general purpose of their manoeuvring is to ascend to a height far above a marauding Zeppelin and then fire the torpedoes down upon it. Five of these destroyers are now building, and the first will be completed about March 1, while the last of the fleet will be ready two months later. They will be used for home defence.

NOTICE
THE VICTORIA
PATRIOTIC AID SOCIETY
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LITTLE DIFFICULTY IN FRAMING REPLY

Question of Use of Neutral Flag Will Be Easily Disposed of, Say London Writers

London, Feb. 12.—That the British government will have no difficulty in giving a satisfactory reply to the American note on the use of the American flag by British merchantmen is the contention of the afternoon papers of London, which virtually unite in expressing the opinion that a neutral flag will be used by British vessels only as an intimation to German warships that there are neutral passengers and goods on board.

The Pall Mall Gazette "attaches significance" to the phrase in the American note to Germany—"or cause the death of American citizens"—as meaning that Americans on board British ships will be equally protected by the home government with those on board American ships.

The Evening Standard, basing its judgment on the tenor of the note says: "It is plain in which direction America looks for the possibility of trouble. If Germany does not now understand the meaning of the note and realize the false position into which she has been led by the arrogance of the official mind in Berlin, she must abide by the issue."

Washington, Feb. 12.—Administration officials had unofficial information to-day of the presentation of the American note to the German government concerning the German sea war zone proclamation.

The unofficial advices were to the effect that officials of the German government declined for the present to comment on the note, except to say that it was couched in friendly language. It was suggested that the German reply, probably would contend that Germany's action was fully justified because of the determination of Great Britain to starve out the German nation.

The note to Germany, and also that to Great Britain pointing out the danger to neutral shipping of any unjustified general use of the American flag, continued to absorb attention in official and diplomatic quarters to-day. Many believe that the United States will be assured by Great Britain that it has no intention of sanctioning general uses of neutral flags by merchant ships.

DEAD AT WINNIPEG.

Winnipeg, Feb. 12.—The death occurred early this afternoon of John Leslie, head of the Leslie Furniture Company and one of the pioneer citizens of Winnipeg.

IS KAISER PLANNING TO MAKE THE FOURTH ATTEMPT ON WARSAW?

Reported That Germans Will Endeavor to Renew Dash Next Week; Reichstag Needs Stimulus; Violent Fighting Continues on the Carpathian Front.

London, Feb. 12.—Emperor William received Field Marshal von Hindenburg on the eastern battlefield on Friday, and it was decided to make a renewed dash for Warsaw next week, according to a dispatch from Amsterdam to the Exchange Telegraph Company.

The German emperor, the message adds, is said to be anxious that the Polish capital be taken before the next meeting of the Reichstag in order to induce the House to vote a new war loan without opposition.

TONG WAR LEADS TO MURDER IN VANCOUVER

Three Chinamen Are Dead; Three Taken to Hospital Wounded

SHOOTING FOLLOWED NIGHT OF CAROUSAL

Vancouver, Feb. 12.—A tong war in Chinatown is on in reality. Three men are dead and three are in the hospital as a result of a shooting affray which took place this morning at 7 o'clock in an Oriental rooming house at 115 Pender street east. Chin Guck is believed to be the man who did the shooting. He later committed suicide when he injured his back in jumping from the second story window of the place into Market Alley.

The dead are: Chin Ham, Chin Chong and Chin Guck. The wounded are Chin Gum, shot in the side of the lower jaw; Chin Hawk, bones shattered in his right ankle, and Chin Wing, shot through his right hand.

The shooting followed a night of carousal and celebration, as nearly as the police could learn this morning. Great celebrations were carried on all through the night in Chinatown, and sam suay was freely dispensed on the advent of the Chinese New Year.

This morning the Orientals in 115 Pender street east retired to bed and were awakened by the sound of a muffled report in Chin Ham's room, and a moment later by a shot in the room occupied by Chin Chong and Chin Gum. The occupants of the place rushed towards the rooms, and were met in the corridor by the murderer as he issued from room No. 6 with a smoking 38 calibre revolver in one hand and a heavy automatic pistol in the other. Instantly he commenced to shoot.

Chin Gum, who had escaped from the room, was shot in the jaw and dropped. The Orientals scattered and ran into the big living room, but the bullets continued to fly. Chin Hawk was struck in the ankle, while Chin Wing's right hand was shattered by a bullet.

Making his way to the rear of the building, the murderer threw up the sash and jumped out to the top of a small shed, from where he dropped to the brick pavement of Market Alley. He uttered a shriek when he landed, attempted to rise and found his lower limbs paralyzed. With the greatest difficulty he drew himself across the alleyway, rolled over on his back and blew his brains out.

The police are satisfied that the shooting this morning is a result of the tong factional fights which have been developing during the past two months.

Yesterday city hall license inspectors, health officials and sanitary inspectors who work in the Chinatown district were warned by the police to be constantly on their guard, as the Heung Shan Wong tong, and the four district tongs, as well as two roving bands, had declared war on each other and bloodshed might ensue. It was hardly expected, however, that the trouble would develop so rapidly.

The tongs have been formed by men out of employment, who plan, it is said, to rob the "oom gow" and "fan tan" games. The two stronger factions of the Wong family are traditional enemies and their leaders decided to war on each other. To this end, several months ago, a "hatchet band" was formed, and it is believed by the police that Chin Guck was a member of this band. He was well known to the police.

The greatest difficulty was experienced by the police in obtaining information, as the denizens of the district seem to fear the vengeance of the tongs.

London, Feb. 12.—As in other important encounters in the eastern arena of the war, the claims of the opponents disagree as to the strategic importance of the German advance into East Prussia. The Germans are hailing it as a great victory and Berlin is decorated with flags, while Petrograd declares that the Russians are deliberately realigning their forces on their own territory, supported by their own forts and that the decisive conflict is yet to come.

The battling in the Carpathians is going on in the snow, but the information from this field of activity is meagre and indications reaching London are that it is still see-saw with both sides sustaining enormous losses. Further to the south the Austrians contend that they are continuing their advance into the Bukovina. Military experts in London are of the opinion that the Carpathian front still remains an area of prime importance in the east, where a decisive victory by either side would force the abandonment by the other of territory in East Prussia or Poland.

Emperor William is still on the East Prussian front, according to the latest advices reaching London, but Emperor Nicholas has just made a visit to Sebastopol where he inspected the Russian warships in port and made an address to the assembled sailors.

Geneva, Feb. 12.—The Russians have resumed the battle of Dukla Pass, fighting mostly with the bayonet, according to the latest advices received here. During the struggle the Austrians are reported to have lost 8,000 in killed and wounded and 1,900 prisoners. They have been driven back as far as Seaboro, where the conflict continues, the snow having stopped falling.

Fighting has been resumed on the Donajec and the Russians have advanced as far as Kosienko.

Petrograd, Feb. 12.—The following official communication from the Russian general staff was made public last night:

"On the front between the Niemen and the Lower Vistula several separate actions have taken place at five points—west of Margrabowa, near Lyck, midway between Ostrolenka and Myszynek, west of Myszynek and in the region of Sierpc."

"On the left bank of the Vistula nothing has occurred except a cannonade, in which our artillery has maintained a very effective fire."

"In the Carpathians we have repulsed attacks by the enemy in the region of Svidnik, near Wyszlikow and at Porogul, in the vicinity of the Bukovina frontier."

"At daybreak on February 11 the Germans once more suffered enormous losses near hill No. 952, in the neighborhood of Kozulvka, where they made two attacks without success."

"In the region of Lutovisk and Ravadok our troops captured a portion of the enemy's trenches, taking 500 prisoners and three machine guns."

THINK ORIOLE WAS SUNK BY GERMAN SUBMARINE

Havre, Feb. 12.—Shipping circles here now consider it practically certain that the British steamer Oriole was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine. The last time the vessel is known to have been seen was on January 20, near Dungeness, in company with the London steamer London Trader, which is also missing. There is equal certainty that the London Trader met the same fate as the Oriole. A telegram from Rouen says James Cullen, a survivor of the Trader, was landed there by the steamer Poland, the captain of which stated that another ship, whose name he could not give, had saved three other sailors from the Trader.

The Oriole left London for Havre on January 28. Her crew numbered twenty-one men. The British Admiralty expressed the opinion on February 9 that she had been struck by a German torpedo.

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JITNEY FOR WOMEN ONLY IS THE LATEST

Fair Driver in San Francisco
Will Not Transport Men;
Seattle Jitneys in Trouble

San Francisco, Feb. 13.—Here is the latest thing in jitneys. It is a jitney for women only, driven by a woman. Mrs. Marion Paff, who has attracted much attention about Market street driving a jitney, is the originator of the scheme.

At present men and women are her passengers, but she plans soon to start the women's jitney, or the "jitneyette," as she likes to call it. Mrs. Paff says she finds jitney driving a pleasant pastime.

"It is interesting," she said, to-day, "and I seem to have no trouble about getting passengers."

She recommends jitney driving to women as a profitable and exhilarating occupation.

Seattle, Feb. 13.—Jitney buses plying along the dangerous coast of the University district between 3 o'clock and midnight ran into a general disaster. The ordinary carpet track of commerce was the deadly weapon employed, and over fifty jitneys are reported to have limped into port flying distress signals and whistling loudly for reinforcements.

One jitney reached the haven of Third avenue and Union street bearing five jitney drivers, who carried all the way from one to four punctured inner tubes each.

Cars piled up along Fortieth street in such numbers that residents of the district inquired where the political meeting was being held. Many drivers carried their passengers into town regardless of flat tires, one vehicle in particular bumping in with all four wheels riding on the rims.

Up to midnight every car coming in from the University district had one or more punctures, and for two hours it looked as if someone had set up a garage on the post office sidewalk.

NEWFOUNDLAND MINES.
St. John's, Nfld., Feb. 13.—Operations in the mines of Newfoundland which were practically suspended at the outbreak of the war have been partly resumed. Five hundred men, a quarter of the number usually employed in the winter, are now at work.

COST OF RAISING FORCES OF CANADA

Militia Department Issues
Memorandum; Yesterday's
Session of the House

Ottawa, Feb. 13.—The premier will make a statement in regard to the recent changes in the cabinet on Tuesday afternoon next. This announcement was made by Sir Robert Borden at the opening of the house yesterday.

During question time the premier informed Hon. Frank Oliver that a revision of the existing regulations for pensions for relatives of members of the Canadian overseas contingent in the event of death were being considered. It is likely that a definite conclusion would be reached at an early date. He said it was not necessary to pass any legislation dealing with the matter.

Two private bills engaged the attention of the commons yesterday up to the time of adjournment, which occurred at 6 o'clock. The first was George Bradbury's bill in regard to the pollution of streams. It was decided to refer the bill to a committee.

The second bill considered was that of Robert Bickerdike, of St. Lawrence Division, Montreal, to abolish capital punishment. There was a considerable debate on Mr. Bickerdike's motion for a second reading.

Ottawa, Feb. 13.—The organization of the Canadian expeditionary forces, the work performed in that connection by each branch of the militia department and the expenditures made, are dealt with in a printed memorandum just issued by the militia department. Expenditures to December 31, chargeable to the war votes, were as follows:

Pay of troops, \$11,885,107; separation allowances, \$500,949; horses, \$1,721,970; clothing, \$3,809,415; ammunition, \$200,848; field guns, \$1,141,073; rifles, and bayonets, \$520,358; motor cars, etc., \$871,023; saddlery and horses' equipment, \$335,628; other equipment, \$1,471,002; engineering works, \$520,771; railway transportation, \$1,030,961; ocean transport, \$1,454,251; censors, \$74,329; general, \$284,268.

In the past six months by contract the department of militia has bought supplies to the value of \$18,500,000 for the Canadian forces, besides harness, saddlery, blankets, etc., for British and foreign governments to the value of \$4,400,000. The total number of contracts entered into is 2,000. These are of the most varied character, including ordnance, small arms and ammunition, hardware and cutlery, vehicles, blankets, clothing of all kinds, drugs, medicines, surgical supplies, food for man and beast, saddlery and leather goods of many kinds, brushes and brooms, field glasses, and practically an endless variety of things necessary to fully equip 90,000 troops.

The department in buying most of its supplies has arranged for a reserve of 100 per cent in the more important items, down to 30 per cent in other items, as required by the war office. The first batch of requisitions for supplies, for clothing, uniforms, etc., was made on August 10 last. These called for 65,000 pairs of ankle boots, 15,000 great coats, 40,000 jackets, 33,000 pairs of puttees, 5,500 pairs of pantaloons, 50,000 suits of service clothing, 100,000 suits of underclothing, 100,000 flannel shirts, 150,000 pairs of socks and supplies of more than twenty other descriptions.

ONE CANADIAN DIES
FOUR ARE WOUNDED

Lance-Corporal Gerrard Succumbs to
Spinal Meningitis; Losses in
British Forces.

Ottawa, Feb. 13.—The following casualties in the Canadian expeditionary force are announced by the militia department:

Seriously wounded—Private William Gargan, Princess Patricia's, admitted to hospital, Feb. 12, suffering from gunshot wounds in foot. Next of kin, John Gargan, Windsor, Ontario.

Wounded—Private James J. Toynce, Princess Patricia's, admitted to hospital, gunshot wound in ankle. Next of kin, Mrs. Toynce, London, England. Private Albert Horton, Princess Patricia's, admitted to hospital, wound in foot. Next of kin, Charles Horton, Essex, England. Private Sydney Jacobs, Princess Patricia's, discharged from hospital February 5. Next of kin, Mrs. I. Jacobs, Hampstead Heath, London, England.

Death—February 11—Lance-Corporal Thomas Gerrard, 5th Battalion at Bulford, spinal meningitis. Next of kin, David Gerrard, Minster, Man.

Lance-Corporal Thomas Gerrard was the son of David Gerrard, a farmer of Minster, and was 21 years of age and unmarried. Before enlisting for active service he was with "A" squadron, 12th Manitoba Dragoons, located at Virden. He was born in Minster.

British Losses.

London, Feb. 13.—The following casualties are reported from the headquarters of the expeditionary force: Killed: Lieut. F. Musgrave, British Guards; Second Lieut. W. Plumer, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry; Major T. R. E. W. Warren-Sweetenham, East Yorkshire Regiment.

Died of wounds: Lieut. C. M. Cottrell-Dormer, D. S. O., Coldstream Guards.

Wounded: Second Lieut. A. M. Blist, Essex Regiment; Surgeon-Major Cowie, 1st Life Guards; Capt. H. Mallinson, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry; Major J. W. Farrington, Royal Field Artillery; Second Lieut. F. A. H. Part, Leicestershire Yeomanry; Second Lieut. J. H. K. Richardson, Royal Horse Artillery; Capt. G. H. Staveley, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry; Lieut. J. A. S. Trydell, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry; Capt. H. E. Waller, East Yorkshire Regiment.

THOUSANDS IN BERLIN NOW LIVE ON CHARITY

On Streets Those in Mourning,
Cripples and Those Injured
Predominate

London, Feb. 13.—For years past the feeling of the Germans was "The Kaiser will only make war when he knows for certain he shall win." The Kaiser in former days was inflexible and his military genius was an article of faith. But now the truth reaches even the uneducated East Prussian peasantry, says Rene H. Feibelman, writing to the London Daily Express from Oldenzaal, Holland, near the German border, where he has met and talked with many neutrals returning after periods spent in Germany.

One of my informants here spoke to a peasant in a little place near Dantzig, at Kreisdorf. The old man, who had fought in 1870, and who has five sons in the war, said: "Der Kaiser kann's nicht schaffen." (The Kaiser cannot do it.) There was no anger in his words, but they simply recognized that this time Germany, according to her popular saying, had had "eyes bigger than her stomach," and that she could not "digest" all her enemies.

In Berlin, I was informed, the central part of the city does not appear to have changed much. The same folk about the same patriotic songs in the same cafes as they did in August and during the first months of the war; but they fail to represent the real Berliners, just as the people on the boulevards are not the Parisians.

If you simply drive away Unter den Linden to the eastern or western sections of the city, you will notice the change the war has brought. In the east, where the laborers live, everything is silent. There are beggars everywhere, and the streets are dirty. For the scavengers—old men and old women—come out only twice a week, the regular road sweepers being at the front or killed.

Hundreds of thousands of the eastern Berliners are dependent on public and official charity to live and to feed their children. Unemployment is increasing every day, and many elderly men have gone to the front as volunteers simply because they knew that, as soldiers, they will at least be fed and their wives provided for.

In the western districts, where the well-to-do people live, all the night cafes are closed. They tried to continue "business as usual" at first, but they remained sadly empty, night after night, and their receipts were not sufficient to pay the telephone bill.

In the streets one sees nothing but people in mourning or cripples or men with an arm in a sling or bandaged head. The Berliners have long since given up the practice of boasting of "victories." They all say they will only put up their flags when Wolff announces peace. They have enough of the war, especially the women.

I have heard much of the German women's strong desire to make peace—peace at all costs. They have been the principal losers in this war. They have lost those dear to them, and when their husbands, their sons, their brothers or their sweethearts have been brought back alive but crippled for life or wounded it has been their lot to nurse and to comfort them.

They have had to be "saving" in their household and in their dress, which is a most difficult thing for a German woman. They have cried all their tears; they have sacrificed everything; and while the men at least have the consolation of dying "a hero's death" or getting Iron Crosses, the women have had to sit before a deserted hearth and console fatherless children, and live. And live—that is the worst burden of all.

The women of Germany are beginning to realize that this war has lasted long enough. They have suffered more than their share, even more than the women in other countries, for the German casualties far exceed those of Germany's foes. They want some, at least, of those dear to them to come back alive; and slowly the idea is gaining ground in their heads—and in their hearts that they must do something to stop the war.

What it is they do not know as yet. But the ferment of discouragement and wrath is working in millions of women's hearts, and now that it has become clear to German women that Germany cannot win, they have spontaneously united in one wish, one thought, one desire—"Stop the war!"

**APPEALS TO GERMANS
TO SHOW MODERATION**

Berlin Paper Fears That in Insulting English-Speaking People, Germans May Be Insulting Americans.

Berlin, Feb. 13.—An appeal to its readers not to allow hatred for Great Britain to lead them to insult English-speaking persons in the streets is printed by the Lokale Anzeiger. The paper says it may be assumed in the great majority of such cases that the speakers are Americans. It reminds its readers that diplomatic representatives of the United States have assumed the protection of Germans in lands with which that country is at war.

Americans in Germany are entitled to be treated as guests and the laws of hospitality must be violated under no circumstances," the newspaper asserts. "Americans living here happily are sensible enough not to hold the whole people responsible for the excesses of individuals."

Ambassador Gerard recently was annoyed while attending a theatre and similar experiences on the part of other Americans have occurred with increased frequency in the last few days.

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Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 13.—The Pittsburg Foreign Trade Commission today asked local manufacturers for prices on 1,000,000 drop forge shells for use of the British army. A large order was originally placed with a Canadian manufacturer but he could not make prompt delivery and a part of it was passed on to Pittsburg. The value of the contract was given as \$4,000,000.

It was stated that a considerable tonnage of what is known as projectile steel was placed here during the week.

PRICES OF FOOD ARE SOARING IN AUSTRIA

Rome, Feb. 13.—A dispatch from the Austrian frontier says that the economic condition of Austria is growing graver. The price of meat has doubled, it is said, and the cost of bread has reached 30 cents per kilogram (2.20 pounds).

Several Austrian aeroplanes have been scouting on the frontier, adds the same dispatch.

The Tribune, commenting on the American note to Germany, says it represents the point of view of all neutral powers.

THREE ARE ELECTED TO BRITISH HOUSE

London, Feb. 13.—Rt. Hon. E. S. Montague, parliamentary under secretary of state for India, was today re-elected to the House of Commons unopposed for the Chertsey division of Cambridgeshire.

London, Feb. 13.—Unionists have been returned unopposed as members of parliament as follows: Edmund Russborough Turton, for Thirsk and Malton division of North Yorkshire; Hon. H. Hamilton Dalrymple, for Wigtownshire.

INCREASE THE GUARDS.

Portland, Maine, Feb. 13.—A large force of police and watchmen stationed at the elevators and docks and coal pockets of the Grand Trunk railway were increased substantially yesterday in consequence of a reported plot to destroy the railroad's property here and its principal bridges between this city and the Canadian boundary.

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UNITED STATES' NOTE HANDS TO GERMANY

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With Foreign Secretary

Berlin, Feb. 13.—James Gerard, the American ambassador, called on the German foreign secretary yesterday evening and presented to him the American government's note concerning the German sea war zone proclamation.

The delivery of the note was followed by a conference between Mr. Gerard and the foreign minister, which lasted for three-quarters of an hour. Judging from the lengthy stay of the ambassador at the foreign office, the communication evidently was considered of importance.

The German reply to Washington will be made in due course.

London, Feb. 13.—The Daily Chronicle expresses the opinion that such a strong remonstrance from the greatest of the neutral powers may have a chastening effect on Germany, and says that as far as can be judged there is no cause for complaint as to the character of the note to Britain.

Amsterdam, Feb. 13.—The Telegraaf in an editorial referring to the proposed German blockade of the British Isles, says: "The American note to Germany makes it clear that neutral merchantmen shall not become victims of a peculiar interpretation of international law regarding blockades. The American government will surely receive the support of the Dutch government."

AMNESTY GRANTED TO SIX PRISONERS IN KOREA

Seoul, Korea, Feb. 13.—Amnesty was granted by Japanese authorities to-day to Yuen Shi-Ho, a former cabinet minister; Yan Ki Tak, formerly connected with the Korean Daily News; An Tai Kog, Im Chi Chong, Yi Sung Hun and Ok Kwan Pin, who in July of 1913 were sentenced to six years' imprisonment for an attempt to assassinate General Terauchi, Japanese governor-general of Korea.

The trial and conviction of these Koreans two years ago attracted considerable attention on account of the allegation that certain Koreans had been subjected to torture in building up the case against the accused. The sentences of six years' imprisonment imposed by the Tai Ku court was confirmed in October, 1913, by the supreme court of Korea.

CARRANZA'S ACTION STIRS SPANISH OPINION

Madrid, Feb. 13.—The expulsion from Mexico by General Carranza of Jose Caro, the Spanish minister, has created a profound impression upon public opinion here. All the newspapers discuss the incident at length and comment forcibly on Carranza's action. Meetings of the cabinet and council were called for to-day to consider what steps shall be taken.

GREECE FORCES TURKEY TO MAKE FULL APOLOGY

Athens, Feb. 13.—Demands made by the Greek government for apologies and reparation because of an insult offered the Greek naval attaché at Constantinople have been granted by the porte, it is stated here. The demands included the publication of a communiqué proclaiming the satisfaction given Greece by Turkey.

TRAINING AT SALISBURY.

London, Feb. 13.—A detachment of 500 Princess Patricia's light infantry, are now attached to the 12th infantry battalion at Tidworth camp, Salisbury plain, for training. This is the force of 500 which was recruited in the west and has in its ranks many westerners.

CHICAGO THEATRE BURNED.

Chicago, Feb. 13.—The Academy of Music, Chicago's oldest theatre, in the heart of the crowded West Side at Halsted and Madison streets, was destroyed by fire yesterday with a loss of \$175,000. It was a four-story structure erected in 1870.

ITALIAN APPROPRIATION.

Rome, Feb. 13.—The Italian government yesterday appropriated 170,000,000 franc (\$34,000,000) for further military expenses up to July, 1915.

FIGHTING WITH FISTS AND BAYONET.

Writing to a friend in Lanark, Private James Williamson, of the 2nd Battalion Highland Light Infantry, says: "One of our companies was attacked the other night. The Germans crept so close to our trenches in the dark that they did not know they were near them until they fell amongst our men. Both parties were surprised, but our men attacked the Germans, and accounted for 100 killed and wounded, and took over 50 prisoners, which included two officers. One German officer shot himself rather than be taken a prisoner. We were praised by the general, who complimented us upon our good night's work. I should say it was a good night's work. We had 12 killed and 15 wounded. We were fighting with fists and bayonets.

Private Williamson, who is an ammunition carrier, had his horse killed by a shrapnel bullet, the comrade by his side being severely wounded and his horse also killed.

TOUGH STRUGGLE FOR THE ARGONNE

HAND TO HAND BATTLES
IN THE THICK WOODS

Where the War is Being Fought
With Bitter Intensity; Great
Strategic Importance

If the French troops in the Argonne district have not yet commanded complete success, they have most richly deserved it, writes the special correspondent of the London Times. Along no other distinct portion of the line has the German attack beaten more fiercely and persistently against the rocks of the French defence than it has done in this tangled forest and in the broken ground which runs from it to the banks of the Meuse. The Germans, to give them their due credit, are putting up an extremely fine and obstinate fight. They have adapted themselves to the peculiar type of warfare which such difficult country imposes with greater versatility than was, perhaps, expected of them, and they have made our allies pay heavily for such advances as they have gained and for the maintenance of the positions to which they cling with such indomitable tenacity.

In the heart of the Argonne itself the struggle reaches its greatest intensity. A success here is to be measured by yards, almost by inches. Any tree may shelter an enemy, and it would be the height of folly to approach any thicket without taking every possible precaution. The fighting, in fact, combines many of the characteristics of both ancient and modern warfare. Your enemy is there, screened in modern invisibility and armed with modern weapons. But though invisible he is often so near to you that he can attack you comfortably with improvised grenades made up in provision tins and jam jars, and unless you keep an absolutely vigilant outlook in all directions it is only the work of a few moments for him to spring from his hiding-place and to be bayoneting you where you crouch in your trench.

It has been remarked that here as elsewhere the Germans are either running short of or are economizing their ammunition. Too much stress should not be laid upon this point. If the Germans no longer choose to squib off a dozen shells at a cyclist dispatch rider that is no proof, necessarily, that they are short of ammunition. And in any case artillery cannot either be moved about easily in such a place as the Argonne forest or be used there with the same chance of obtaining proportionate results. Outside the forest the artillery duel is proceeding as vigorously as ever, and, let it be added, with the now customary success of our allies. But in the woods themselves it is the arme blanche which in a preponderantly large proportion of cases ultimately settles the success or failure of the attacks and counter-attacks which are daily being made in what Du-mouriez so well described as "the Thermopylae of France."

A Strategic Error.

It is not difficult, therefore, to understand how, despite quite favorable communications, the same geographical names recur again and again. Hardly a day passes without a mention of the wood of La Grurie, or of such places as Le Four-de-Paris, St. Hubert, Fontaine-Madame or Bagatelle. The immediate objective of the Germans is perfectly clear: they are seeking to obtain absolute control of that roadway which connects their positions round Vienne-le-Chateau, on the western outskirts of the forest, with Varennes on the eastern fringe. The abandonment of this road is held in some quarters to have been one of the worst mistakes committed by the Crown Prince. There are Frenchmen who maintain quite frankly that even after the battle of the Marne there was no compelling necessity for the Crown Prince to have withdrawn as far as Varennes and Montfaucon. He might, they say, have halted some ten miles or so to the south in the neighborhood of Clermont and the wood of Hesse, and thus have retained command of those lines of communication between Champagne and Verdun which pass through the defiles of Les Islettes.

Whether such views are accurate or not, it is at any rate certain that, having lost control of this pass, the Germans have since made every effort to force their way back to it. In the meantime they are battling for the Vienne-Varennes road, which would serve their purpose tolerably, though not equally well. Hence the obstinate struggle for the hamlet of Le Four-de-Paris, which stands midway on this road and is also at the junction of another road running southward, like a spinal cord through the Argonne, to Les Islettes. Hence, in short, all the especially severe attacks which the Germans are delivering upon that particular section of the Argonne forest which is known as the wood of La Grurie.

All this fighting which is proceeding so silently in the depths of the forest is flanked by equally energetic and more easily comprehensible actions on either side. Of the recent French successes in Champagne which have carried up the front almost to the line of the Dornieres I hope to say something in another article. The fighting here may, without undue arbitrariness, be considered rather in connection with the struggle round Rheims. On the other hand, the actions to the east of the Argonne are indissolubly bound up with those in the forest. Varennes may be called the extreme right tip of those German forces which are endeavoring to conquer Verdun from the north. This German line runs roughly from Varennes through Montfaucon to Consenvoye, Orne, and Hautecourt, before Etain.

So far as regards that portion of this zone which lies between the Argonne and the Meuse—the only portion as to which I have been able to obtain trust-

worthy information—our allies are, on the whole, making steady and important progress. The opposing lines run in such complicated fashion that it is impossible to describe them in detail and to say of any particular section that it is attacking or being menaced.

The Attack on Bourouilles.

In general, however, it can be stated that the French are largely acting on the offensive and that attacks upon Varennes are being directed by way of Bourouilles and Vauquois. For the moment a particularly brilliant advance brought the French right into the village of Bourouilles. Their sappers succeeded under a heavy fire and at considerable loss in cutting through the enemy's barbed wire entanglements, and the infantry made a spirited bayonet charge, which carried them into the first houses of the place. It has, however, been impossible to maintain this position. The French were compelled to fall back again the next day, and a further attempt to take the village by storm yesterday was repulsed at some cost.

On the other hand, the French have managed to retain most of the ground won between Bourouilles and Vauquois during the closing days of December, and are still at the very doors of Vauquois. This place, like Bourouilles, has at least on one occasion nearly fallen to an assault. A series of fierce attacks and counter-attacks drove the Germans from their trenches in front of the little town, and the French pressed them hard up the slopes to the outer houses. But the second line of defences proved impregnable except at what would have been a disproportionate cost, and the French have had to content themselves with entrenching the ground they had won.

Equally energetic attacks have been carried on simultaneously in the direction of Montfaucon. For the time be-

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ing the French appear to have lost possession of Malancourt. Its recapture has, at any rate, been announced by the Germans, and the silence of the French communiques on the subject, coupled with other good information received yesterday, makes one suspect that it is the case. However, the French have held their positions in the surrounding woods and have even advanced to the north. Already they command much of the ground between Cuisy, Gerocourt, Forges and Bethincourt—which four places form roughly the angles of a parallelogram east of Montfaucon—and they hold also Brabant-sur-Meuse. With the enemy becoming more and more cramped up between the Aisne, the Aire and the Meuse, Verdun has less cause than ever to fear an investment from the north.

Same Thing.—Doctor—"You see, when we put a patient under an anaesthetic he doesn't know what he is doing. Now, do you understand it?" New Assistant—"Sure. You put him on the same level as the doctor."



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THE WAR.

The combined aircraft and warship attack by the British on several points along the Belgian coast yesterday may be regarded as the first of a series of vigorous movements aimed at the interruption of Germany's submarine operations. Whether much material damage was done is not reported, although it is unlikely that a fusillade from warships and aircraft would be devoid of serious damage to those attacked. No losses were incurred by either services engaged.

But a much more deadly rod is being picked for Germany according to announcements from London. The British authorities have under consideration measures for the tightening of the stranglehold maintained by the fleet. It is proposed to establish a blockade which will prevent goods of any character from reaching German ports from the sea. The Huns may make their sorties into East Prussia, Poland, Belgium, France and at sea, but they are as closely besieged as the Galician fortress of Przemyśl and must capitulate in the long run if not another shot is fired. Even potato riots are reported at various points in Germany.

Berlin is celebrating another "victory," but with less gusto than it celebrated the victory of Lodz and the "collapse of Russia's fighting power." Within a few weeks the Germans will run up against the same snag at the Nieman that they encountered there before. Vienna evidently is not satisfied with the progress of the German and Austrian campaign in the Carpathians, for an official report speaks of "slow progress" and "Russian reinforcements coming from all directions." Artillery exchanges and the capture by the French of a hill in the Vosges are the main features of the Paris reports of the last twenty-four hours.

THE SUBMARINES.

Dr. Pugsley's resolution in the House of Commons calling for the fullest information concerning the purchase of two submarines on this coast last August has provoked from the morning paper an outburst of wrath which, considering the source from whence it comes, is enough to arouse suspicion. In moving the resolution the former minister of public works pointed out that while the federal order-in-council authorizing the purchase stated the price of the craft to be \$1,050,000, the amount actually paid was \$1,150,000, and there was a belief that someone had received a commission.

It was the suggestion of a commission that struck a very sensitive nerve centre in our contemporary. It knows so much about commissions generally that it could not refrain from attributing to Dr. Pugsley accusations he did not make. This is what it said:

"We do not know if any such commission was paid and have never heard it suggested that any was paid, but it is not an unheard of thing for a vendor to pay a person acting for him a commission on a sale, and Mr. Pugsley is too experienced a business man to have had anything like that in his mind."

If Dr. Pugsley lacked any other justification for his resolution he has it in this extraordinary comment from the heavily subsidized advocate of the McBride government. "It is not an unheard of thing for a vendor to pay a person acting for him a commission on a sale." There you have the whole unprincipled sophistry with which the morning paper justifies every transaction in which its political masters and their associates may be implicated—Indian reserves, land deals, purchase of supplies, even the hiring of men on government works. Ethical principles and public interest in the expenditure of public funds are beyond its ken and so thoroughly has its conscience been debauched that it openly intimates that it is quite proper for a government to engage in transactions through middlemen in the manner of private institutions instead

of through those officers especially paid by the taxpayers of the country for the purpose. We have a different conception of duty to the public.

That was why we opposed the Songhees and Kikallano reserve pointiches. It is also the reason why we take issue with our contemporary in regard to the jilted drivers it is desirous of suppressing. The sum of \$1,150,000 of the public money has been paid for those two submarines. Dr. Pugsley, as a representative of the people who furnished that amount, is doing no more than his duty in seeking the fullest information concerning the transaction and the reports current about it. Such inquiries are regarded at Ottawa and in every other parliament as among the most important and necessary aspects of a member's duty, for they affect the administration of a public trust. Here they are considered by the Victoria Colonist as unpatriotic and impertinent.

The two submarines purchased last August were ordered by the Chilean government three years ago. The contract price was \$387,000 each, or \$774,000 for the two. Last July Captain Plaza, of the Chilean navy, recommended the rejection of the craft on the ground that they did not meet the specifications. They were purchased by Sir Richard McBride for the Canadian government for \$1,150,000, or nearly \$400,000 more than the price stipulated in the contract with the Chilean government. The ratifying order-in-council adopted at Ottawa on August 7, based upon information received from this city, after reciting the description of the two submarines, specified the purchase price as \$1,050,000, or one hundred thousand dollars less than the sum actually paid. Even then the amount was nearly \$300,000 more than the original contract price. Under the terms of the contract which had been sub-let by the Electric Boat Company of New Jersey to the Seattle Drydock & Construction Company, the former would have been compelled to return to the Chilean government within two weeks the sum of nearly \$200,000 for progress payments and damages for non-fulfilment of the contract, so the transaction with this country was a life-saver, to say the least.

We are not discussing for the moment the effectiveness of the submarines or the necessity for their purchase. But the circumstances attending the transaction were such that Dr. Pugsley merely is discharging his duty as a public servant in pressing for full information. If a commission has been paid the country is entitled to know to whom it was paid and what it amounted for; also why the authorities were unable to deal directly with the vendors instead of through middlemen. We may point out that Sir Robert Borden has freely and frankly laid on the table of the House details of all the other war expenditures of this country. Why should the purchase of the two submarines be excepted from one of the established rules of our system of government? This demand has become doubly imperative in view of the tirade of a paper which, whenever it has been confronted with a situation in which the public interest conflicted with the political interests of the government it supports, the private interests of Mackenzie & Mann or those of any other corporation, never fails to hoist the black flag of special privilege.

THOMAS NUTT'S DEATH.

Referring to the discussion in the legislature regarding the death of Thomas Nutt, who died last summer as the result of an accident received while employed on Canadian Northern Pacific construction work near Cowichan Lake, Messrs. Moore & Pethick, the contractors for that section of the line where the mishap occurred, pointed out yesterday that they in common with the other contractors have nothing to do with medical inspection on this work. The railway company has availed itself of the option afforded in the contract of taking over the direction of the medical and sanitary arrangements along the line of construction, for which it receives from each of the men, through the contractors, the sum of one dollar per month.

The coroner's jury at Duncan which investigated the case declared that Nutt would not have died if he had received proper attention. The details of the unfortunate man's accident were published in this paper at the time and require no further recital. It is sufficient to say that he might as well have been a thousand miles from medical assistance as far as relief was concerned as he was when he met with his mishap. If Mackenzie & Mann receive a dollar per month from each of the employees on their construction work they should expend every cent upon the service for which it is paid. Mr. Hayward, the member for Cowichan, who brought the matter up in the house, declared that this was not being done. It is for the government to see that it is done. The workmen are not mere pieces of flotsam in society whose interests are of no importance. Their welfare is a matter of public concern. Why should Mackenzie & Mann receive all the protection?

SONGHEES TERMINALS.

The inauguration by the government and Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company of work in connection with terminals on the Songhees Reserve would find employment for several hundred men at the very least. This would set in circulation a large amount of money, from which our business houses would benefit very substantially.

These works have been provided for under legislation now on the statutes. They formed the themes of numerous pledges. There is plenty of money on hand to cover the cost of them, according to the information furnished to the legislature by the Minister of Finance, some \$5,000,000 being available and earmarked for the terminals programme. Why should a start not be made at once? Will our contemporary join us in this agitation? It affects very vitally the public welfare.

BLAMING IT ON THE WAR.

Prosperity reigned in Canada during all the years of the Liberal regime. Then the people, accustomed to affluence, and led away by insincerity and falsehood, were persuaded that nothing could stem the tide of progress, decided that it was time for a change. And there was a change. With the advent of the Conservative government the business barometer fell. Trade declined. The revenues of the Dominion waned. Germany plunged the world into war, in which Canada as the leading dominion of the British Empire became involved and patriotically decided she must play a part in harmony with her status. Now with a falling revenue our expenditures are increased enormously. War taxes have been added to the ordinary burdens of the people. The cumulative effects of this crisis will bear heavily upon the Canadian taxpayer, but he will meet the situation heroically and patriotically. But he will not overlook the facts when the day arrives for reconsideration of that situation. Nor will he be deluded by the sophistry that the war is the cause of the existing depression. The tide of prosperity had receded to very low point before the war began, and it will not rise again until the causes of the declension, both in Victoria and Ottawa, have been removed. The people of British Columbia have analyzed the situation notwithstanding the desperate efforts of the McBride government to conceal the true state of affairs. Sir Richard cannot avert political disaster for his government by precipitating a premature election. He knows the worst is yet to come in regard to his methods and "underskinkings." But the electors also know it.

DEFIES UNCLE SAM.

Count von Reventlow, one of the most prominent of pan-Germans, openly defies the United States to intervene in this struggle in defense of its own interests. Reventlow is in close touch with the Hun brigade of Potsdam and undoubtedly would not have made his indiscreet deliverance without consultation with the higher champions of world power or downfall. It is not improbable that the war maniacs who cluster around the Hohenzollern dynasty will endeavor to involve all the present neutral powers in the struggle. This would furnish them with an excuse for the failure of their military and naval activities and force from the German people a demand for peace, to which, with a pretence of reluctance, the government would comply. The "higher command" would say that while the prospect of success was favorable with the triple entente and smaller associates against them, Germany, Austria and Turkey could not be expected to defeat the whole world. This, while a characteristic Prussian subterfuge, would be plausible, but unhappily it would not embody an explanation of the fearful shortcomings of the diplomacy which antagonized every great power on earth.

In one respect the present attitude of the United States operates to the advantage of the allies for the time being to a greater extent than would her actual participation in the war on their side. Great Britain, France and Russia are able now to obtain large quantities of war supplies from the republic. If she became involved herself she probably would stop the exportation of arms and ammunition owing to her own military and naval necessities. Moreover Germany would not have to bother herself about the identity of merchantmen attacked by her submarines. If Germany anticipated that there would be a decision one way or the other within the next three or four months she would not regard the advent of the United States as a factor calculated to make her position worse than it is. It would be only after six months or so, when United States troops began to reach Europe in large numbers, that American pressure would begin to tell in a material sense, and it is scarcely probable that the war will last that long.

Germany would have more to fear within the next few months from the intervention of Italy, Holland, Roumania and the Scandinavian countries, whose armies and navies are ready to the minute and whose countries would

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become valuable strategic bases for the allies. The attitude of Germany and Austria towards those countries suggests that they are trying deliberately to antagonize them. Austria is reported to have seized two wheat ships bound for Italy. A German submarine has been operating in Holland waters. There are many things more unlikely than that the lunatics of Potsdam, realizing that the game is up, will endeavor to increase the number of their enemies in order to excuse their failure and lessen the sting and humiliation which will follow it. Count von Reventlow's article has been inspired from headquarters.

Toronto Star: There is not much use in making partisan taunts at a time like this, but many Conservative papers are taunting the Liberals because there was a New Zealand ship in the North Sea battle, but none from Canada. There is an Australian fleet also taking part in this war, and it is financed and manned by Australians, but the Canadian fleet that was projected at the same time as it was destroyed by the Conservatives in 1911 to win the support of the Nationalists of Quebec. There is plenty of room for taunts on both sides if newspapers have nothing better to do than resort to the use of them.

Uncle Sam's participation in the war would be followed by the automatic development of a magnificent mercantile marine. The Stars and Stripes would be hoisted on the large number of palatial German ships now interned in American ports. The Wilson purchase bill would be wholly unnecessary. This, of course, would have nothing to do with the cause of such intervention, but it would be one of the immediate effects of it. Germany is described by her admirers as "thorough." Apparently she wants to be "thoroughly" beaten.

Count von Moltke, who has been jerked out of seclusion to assure the German people that Germany is going to win the war, declares that she did not desire the struggle. "He means by that, of course, that Serbia and Belgium undertook to destroy confiding little Germany and Austria. Germany was in such a hurry for the war that her soldiers invaded France while the German ambassador was still in Paris.

If Germany despises the antagonism of Italy, the United States and other neutrals in order to sweeten the bitter draught she will have to drink it as to be hoped those countries keep out of the war. In any event, all indications point to an awakening of the German people. They know they are beaten and that starvation awaits them unless they capitulate.

MR. JOHN NELSON.

Vancover News-Advertiser.
The retirement of Mr. John Nelson from the management of The News-Advertiser is the result of other business changes, and also of his own desire to enter a new field of activity. It is not the least painful for his associates of the last five years to part with a genial and kindly comrade, a just and considerate chief. Mr. Nelson came to The News-Advertiser from The Victoria Times, which journal he had served successfully as city editor and managing director. This experience gave him a valuable acquaintance with all departments of a daily newspaper. While manager of this journal he became a director of the Canadian Press, Limited, and of the Western Associated Press, and took a leading part in organizing the excellent news service now obtained by the British Columbia daily papers. It would be a pity if he should leave journalism, for there are few better equipped or equally competent newspaper men in Western Canada. But in whatever enterprises Mr. Nelson may engage he will be followed by the good wishes of all who have been his contemporaries on the staff of The News-Advertiser.

GERMANY'S COLONIAL EXPANSION.

Westminster Gazette.
So long as Germany remained at peace with us, we had no grudge against her colonial expansion. We had shown again and again, and by no means least in the months preceding the war, that we were willing that she should increase her overseas possessions, and anxious to reach an amicable agreement by which we could work side by side with her in the development of new countries. The world was big enough for both of us, and there are planes innumerable in the sun which neither of us need grudge to the other. But, if Germany insists on invading the rights of her neighbors in Europe, it is our part to bring in the new world to redress the balance of the old.

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Oak Chiffoniers in golden finish, five-drawer style with shaped mirrors. February Sale, only.....\$13.75

Fire Dressers, finished golden color, 3 drawers and oval mirror. February sale price, \$7.90

—Fourth Floor

Why Not Buy Your New Range While a Big Price Saving Can Be Effected?

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Phoenix Beer, dozen pints, 75c.

Fusiliers' Band Concert.—A splendid programme has been arranged by Bandmaster Rowland for the concert at Pantages theatre to-morrow evening. The following artists have promised their assistance: Mrs. A. Codd, soprano; Mrs. Warram, violinist, and Mr. Sampson, tenor. By request the band will play a selection of "Favorite Hymns," another selection will be a medley of "Favorite Operas."

Yorkshire Society Annual Social, Connaught hall, Thursday, Feb. 18. Miss Thain's orchestra.

Daughters of England Dance.—Monday next. St. John's hall. Gents, 50c; Ladies, 25c.

Hold Social Dance.—The Daughters of St. George will hold a social dance in the Knights of Columbus hall, Fort street, on Monday night at 9 o'clock. Refreshments will be served.

One Hundred Years' Peace.—Tomorrow evening, in the First Baptist church (Dominion theatre), Rev. J. B. Warricker will take for his subject "One Hundred Years of Peace." There will be special music.

Yorkshire Society.—The annual social and dance of the Yorkshire society will take place at the Connaught hall, View street on Thursday, Feb. 18, at 8 p. m. Miss Thain's orchestra will be in attendance. Tickets can be had from the committee or at the door.

Bred in Victoria.—The winning cat at the Queen City Cat club show held recently in Seattle, was bred by Mrs. Barton, of Victoria, and was sold by her to Mrs. Judd, of Seattle, who, in turn, sold it to the address of the "Western Cat Fancier" for the sum of \$150. The cat in question was "Prince Seraphim," a handsome silver Persian, which has carried everything before him in various shows at which he has been exhibited—at Seattle, Portland, San Francisco and other coast cities.

"Other Worlds."—A large and highly appreciative audience, which completely filled St. Paul's Presbyterian church, on Wednesday evening listened to a most instructive illustrated lecture by F. Napier Denison, of the local meteorological observatory. A. S. Huxtable operated his own lantern, and at the close of the lecture was included in the very hearty vote of thanks given lecturer and operator. Mr. Denison, in responding, consented to give a further lecture at St. Paul's church within the next few weeks. Rev. Dr. Maclean occupied the chair.

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Noted Preacher Coming.—Rev. R. G. MacBeth, M. A., the well known preacher and lecturer, will preach at St. Paul's Presbyterian church, Victoria West, next Sunday morning and evening, taking for his subject "Peace and War," and "Towards the Sun Rising."

On the following Wednesday evening Mr. MacBeth will lecture in St. Paul's church on "The First Rebellion," in which the lecturer saw active service. Mr. MacBeth arrived in the city to-day.

Wesley Epworth League.—The Wesley Epworth League banquet to the Red team, captained by Miss Gawley, and to the White team, captained by Miss Knappett, was a delightful event, the event being the culminating feature of a membership campaign which resulted in increasing the membership of the league by twenty-two members. There are now 48. The banquet took place in the church parlors, which were prettily decorated for the occasion with red and white flowers, and interspersed throughout the banquet were interesting musical numbers.

Angora Goat Industry.—Speaking at the Garden City Women's institute yesterday afternoon on goats, and on other matters of interest to small producers, Commissioner Cuthbert spoke of the opportunity afforded by the produce market to find a sale for the produce from small lots. A movement had been started by the Victoria and Island Development association for the purpose of importing Angora goats to the island. For that district he commended the milk goat as a useful, economic and profitable animal. The advantage of goats over cattle was referred to, and it was stated that an animal would cost from \$25 to \$30, and could be maintained for about 50 cents a month. Mr. Cuthbert alluded also to its usefulness for clearing up logged off lands. A vote of thanks was accorded the lecturer on the motion of Mrs. Hutchinson, secretary of the institute. Mrs. McLaughlin presided.

Soldiers.—All "Jitneys" and Willows cars stop at the Skene Lowe Studio, corner Yates and Douglas. Hear carter for Sepals.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

Victoria Times, February 13, 1890.

The B. C. Pioneers met in their hall, in the Musgrave block, last evening for the first time. The hall will be kept open evenings for the comfort of members, and periodicals, papers, and other literature will be provided.

When Admiral Hensage found a German trading craft in the way of the Swiftsure in Esquimalt harbor he fired the vessel out. Now he has had the pleasure of receiving a communication from the San Francisco Harbor Commissioners notifying him to move the flagship out of the way of merchant vessels.

Mr. A. V. Hardy yesterday purchased from Mr. John Turner the property on the corner of Pandora avenue and Douglas street for \$20,000. There is a two-storey brick block on the property, occupied by a grocery.

Arrangements will be made in a few days for the reception to be accorded the Duke of Connaught on his arrival here shortly.

Household League.—There will be a meeting of the Household league on Monday afternoon at 2.30 at the residence of the president, Mrs. Herbert Kent, Douglas street.

Conference on Wednesday.—Madame Sanderson-Mongin's conference will be held at Miss Mara's residence, 750 Pemberton road, on Wednesday, January 17, instead of at Mrs. Pemberton's.

Hold Monthly Meeting.—The monthly meeting of the Junior Auxiliary Anti-Tuberculosis society will be held on Wednesday, 17th inst, at 11 o'clock, in the Alexandra Club committee room.

Semi-Weekly Dances.—The regular semi-weekly dances on Tuesday and Saturday nights in the Connaught hall will continue throughout the spring season. Next week's dance will be held on Monday instead of Tuesday evening.

Ambulance Classes.—Those wishing to join the class for men in first aid to the injured, which is now being formed under the auspices of the St. John's ambulance association, should send in their names immediately to James H. Hill, 723 Yates street, phone 4176 or 14591.

Metropolitan Church Brotherhood.—The usual meeting of the brotherhood will be held in church auditorium on Sunday afternoon at 2.45. Dr. Ernest Hall will deliver an address on "The Social Evil." A discussion will follow. Alderman George Bell will preside. All men in the city are cordially invited to attend.

Saanich Council.—The principal business before the Saanich council at the meeting on Tuesday will be the estimates for 1915. Practically every detail has been agreed upon except the extension of the municipal hall, to provide accommodation for the council members, and the purchase of another road roller for macadam road construction.

Hundred Years' Peace.—Rev. William Stevenson will preach special sermons at Emmanuel Baptist church in connection with the Centenary of peace between the British Empire and the United States. In the morning the subject will be "The Christian's Ideal of a World at Peace," and in the evening "How the Great Hundred Years' Peace Was Kept."

Will Lecture Tuesday.—On Tuesday evening, at 8 o'clock under the auspices of the St. Saviour's Young People's association, Victoria West, Lieut. Clearhue, of the Fifth regiment, is giving a lecture on his personal experiences in Paris at the outbreak of the war, and for several weeks thereafter. There will also be an excellent musical programme.

Civil Service Examinations.—General competitive examinations for positions in the second and third divisions of the inside service of the federal civil service will be held here and at other centres commencing on May 19 next. On May 12 competitive examinations for entrance to the Royal Naval College of Canada will be held here.

Payable in Advance.—An interesting point was discussed in the suit of Simmonds vs. Edwards before Judge Lammiman yesterday which occupied a portion of yesterday and resulted in a judgment for the plaintiff in a case brought by him to recover damages for illegal distress, Judge Lammiman held that the rent being payable in advance, and there being no express day fixed for payment, meant that the rent should be paid before the last day of the month and that distress earlier in the month was premature. J. P. Mann appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. Meredith (Eberts & Taylor) for the defendant.

Standard of Lime Juice.—A federal order-in-council passed a few days ago substitutes the following definition of standard of quality for lime juice and lime fruit juice: "The fresh expressed juice of the ripe fruit of citrus (various species); and has a specific gravity of 20 degrees C. not less than 1.030 and not greater than 1.040, and contains not less than eight (8) per cent. of solids and not less than seven (7) per cent. of free citric acid. Its optical activity (rotary power to polarized light) lies between the limits of 0.5 degree and 1.0 degree of the Soleil-Ventzke scale, when observed in a column of 200 mm. length at 20 degrees C."

Photographs of Canadians.—Twenty-five of the collections of photographs of the Canadian contingent in camp at Valcartier (taken by Messrs. William Notman & Sons, the well known photographers of Montreal), have been sent to the local branch of the Canadian Patriotic fund to be sold, the proceeds to be devoted to the local organization funds. Five hundred of the series were given by the photographers to the Canadian Patriotic fund at Ottawa, which has sent the above-stated number here. The series, which shows a number of characteristic scenes of the camp life and the various units, is selling at \$1 per photograph, each measuring 8 x 12 inches. Further particulars may be obtained at the Winch building, Fort street.

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Alias James J. Jefferson and Charlie Howard; age 26; height 5 feet six and three-quarter inches, who is wanted on two charges of burglary. He escaped from the city lock-up last evening. He has dark brown hair, brown eyes and a dark complexion. He has a scar on the left side of the neck, and was last seen wearing a blue serge suit.

Evolution of Calendar.—M. B. Cotsworth, F. G. S., of New Westminster will give his interesting lecture entitled "Evolution of Calendar," illustrating at the King's Daughters' rest room, Courtney street, beginning at 8 p. m. on Tuesday next, when the public are cordially invited to be present. Mr. Cotsworth is the author of "The Rational Almanac" and "Time to Fix the Year."

St. Mark's Guild.—The regular monthly meeting of the Victoria branch of the guild of St. Mark's hall was held on Tuesday in St. Barnabas schoolroom. Mrs. Little, the president, presided. It was announced that the collection made at the drawing-room meeting held on January 25 amounted to \$58. The meeting discussed the sending of \$100 of the guild funds as part of the annual maintenance of one student at the hall. The next meeting will be in the cathedral schoolroom on the second Tuesday in March.

Fifth Regiment Band.—The entire programme to be given in connection with the Fifth Regiment band concert to-morrow evening will be furnished either by members of the regiment, or by members of the band. The entire programme follows: Grand selection, "Ernani," Verdi; vocal, "A Soldier's Song" (Mascaroni) Gunner Evans; clarinet solo, "Sonnambula" (Thornton), Corporal Willis; vocal solo, "The Lord is My Light" (Frances Alltuen), Corp. Macaulay; "The Tearing of the Green," paraphrase and variations on the well known Irish song, "The Wearin' o' the Green;" piano solo, "The Nightingale" (Boyce Smith), Corp. Palmer; vocal, "What Britishers Are Made of" (Dryden), Gunner Pickering; brass quartette, "Village Chimes" (Round), Bandmen Sheret, Saunders, Ball and Vinnal; vocal, "A Soldier's Dream" (Paul Rodney), Gunner Foulmer; selection from the Quaker Girl (Monckton); God Save the King.

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Dress—Full dress without holster. All Frontiersmen in the city and district are requested to be present, any men wishing to join are invited to attend.

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PARIS STILL CLINGING TO FULL LONG TUNIC

Colors and Fabrics Show the Influence of the Military Craze

New York, Feb. 6.—Full skirts have undoubtedly come to stay for a while at least. For all that, there is no reason why the woman with several long tunic skirts in her wardrobe should be discouraged, for they have not been discarded by any manner of means. A number of the large French dressmakers are using them this year with great success and in such a way that the ingenious woman may follow their examples with her old skirts.

For instance, the new tunic skirts are very long, much longer than those of last year, showing scarcely more than one or two inches of the lower skirt beneath; but to offset this, which looks rather difficult when your last season's long tunic showed at least six inches of a lower skirt, yokes are very much the rage, and by attaching a tunic to a yoke it will be long enough to suit this season's requirements. If the dress that requires remodeling is of silk, or a summer fabric, a very simple way of modernizing it is to add a lower section of two or more ruffles, according to the width of the ruffles and the depth of the lower skirt which shows. The owner of the dress made the lower skirt wide by inserting a triangular piece of the material into the back seam. Two ruffles she made of the same taffeta, with narrow hems



A Conservative "Frock" Developed in Belgian Blue Rep.

machine hemstitched. These were placed onto the foundation skirt, and, of course, the piecing was hidden, and joined below the long tunic. The dress was very smart and looked as though it might have been designed this season instead of last.

With a little forethought and a careful studying of new designs to be seen in the fashion magazines or fashion sections of the newspapers many an old dress whose style is hopeless can be made into an up-to-date garment which will give a great deal of pleasure.

In the first illustration is shown a dress whose lines are simple enough to suit the most conservative of tastes and yet so smart that wherever the gown is seen the wearer would pass as a well-dressed member of society. The model is developed in Belgian blue ribbed material, light of weight and suited to the skirt whose wide tucks give an effect of deep hems in a flounced skirt.

News from Paris says that gaberdine continues to be very smart. It has the qualities which should endear it to the American mind, for it is serviceable and practical and comes in all the known shades, from navy blue, black, white, to all the shades of tan and gray.

Checks large and checks small are being shown for the spring suits. In the illustration is shown a trip little suit with a diagonal black-and-white check. The coat is made somewhat on Norfolk lines, with a six-gored skirt cut the short ankle length, to which length all skirts should be cut to have the proper style this year. Instead of shoes, to be distinctly up to Paris styles, boots should be worn with a walking dress of this character. Russian boots they are called, they button or lace up the sides and wrinkle in a mousquetaire fashion.

Empire lines are shown in everything. Suits are made short waisted, with full peplums hanging from the belt. Tailored frocks are made short waisted, with a wide or narrow belt, which is attached on its upper line only and hangs free on its lower edge, giving a boxed effect. The evening dresses are made distinctly after the gowns of the Empress Josephine's period, the waists just coming below the bust, and the skirts longer and fuller than those of her time, but clinging gracefully to the figure.

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sat in matching some color in the stripe. Voile is used extensively, and usually trimmed with bands of taffeta. Sand-colored voile skirts have brown taffeta jackets.

Lunette is an American-made fabric which takes the place of the Georgette crepe, which is made abroad and has become very scarce since the war. Whole dresses are made of it, especially for evening wear, and it is most attractive and more durable than chiffon. There is an indestructible voile which is very much like chiffon that is also used a great deal. It comes in all the beautiful old-fashioned designs, in Dolly Varden and Dresden designs, as well as in the large figured effects.

Plaid fabrics are having a renewed vogue in Paris, although they are considered a novelty rather than a staple fabric. Black is naturally very stylish, as would be expected, when one thinks that all France is in mourning. After black comes white. White evening coats are considered very fashionable; also coats of white serge and gaberdine for the separate coat. Black and white combined is also very good and largely featured, and in its train purple gray—in fact, all the mourning



A Norfolk Suit in Black and White Check.

and semi-mourning colors—are having a vogue which they will probably not have until another war.

New uniforms have been made for the French soldiers of a new shade of blue; naturally that means it is immediately copied for costumes for women. This color, together with the khaki-colored field cloth, are used extensively for tailored costumes, especially if they follow ever so slightly the tendency toward the military.

Red, also a military color, but in a new brick shade, is being used a great deal, while the national colors of Belgium—red, yellow and black—are being combined again and again into frocks and suits.

Small hats are the vogue in Paris. They are loved too well by the Parisians to be quickly discarded. Trill hats of olecloth to match cuffs and belt are worn extensively with tailored suits. The small hats entirely covered with flowers are used for more elaborate occasions. Tailored hats are being trimmed with ribbons of large plaids, as well as in black and

white faille ribbons, and give them a distinctly new look.
Large hats are slowly creeping into view, and will no doubt hold the people for summer, especially the old-time shape trimmed with flowers and velvet ribbon streamers.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

All personal items sent by mail for publication must be signed with the name and address of the sender.

F. L. Flight, of Montreal, is at the Dominion hotel.

F. H. Levinson, of Vancouver, is at the Dominion hotel.

R. H. White, of Duncan, is a guest of the Dominion hotel.

V. W. Walker, of Winnipeg, is a guest at the Empress hotel.

J. Milligan is registered at the King Edward hotel from Courtenay.

John Avery is registered at the Strathcona hotel from Seattle.

M. B. Conoley, of Detroit, Mich., is a guest at the Empress hotel.

S. O'Brien is registered at the King Edward hotel from Vancouver.

S. M. Dighton, of Cowichan Bay is registered at the Strathcona hotel.

Mrs. M. Clarke, of Vancouver, is registered at the Strathcona hotel.

J. B. Simpson, of Vancouver, is registered at the King Edward hotel.

J. Muirhead, of Vancouver, is among the guests at the Strathcona hotel.

C. C. Ferguson, and son, of Winnipeg, are guests at the Empress hotel.

Miss E. Booth is registered at the Strathcona hotel from Portland, Ore.

Helen Bishop, of Vancouver, is among the guests at the King Edward hotel.

Frank Bamford and family, of Union Bay, are guests of the Dominion hotel.

G. McCartney and wife, of Griswold, Man., are staying at the Dominion hotel.

C. S. Wood, of the agricultural department, Ottawa, is at the Dominion hotel.

Mrs. Burdock and Miss Cracroft, of Duncan, are guests at the Empress hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Baird, of Vancouver, are staying at the Empress hotel.

J. N. Lagan and Mrs. Lagan, of McLean, B. C., are staying at the Dominion hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Oswald Lineham, of Cobble Hill, are registered at the Empress hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Richardson, of Vancouver, are staying at the King Edward hotel.

N. Y. Crexall and Mrs. Crexall, of San Francisco, are staying at the Dominion hotel.

J. H. Collins is in the city from Nanaimo. He is registered at the King Edward hotel.

H. R. Warrick and Mrs. Warrick, of Puyallup, Wash., are registered at the Dominion hotel.

A. French and M. P. Merry, of Vancouver, registered at the Empress hotel this morning.

Katherine D. Ford is in the city from Duncan. She is registered at the Strathcona hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Campbell, of Qualicum Beach, arrived at the Empress hotel yesterday.

Thos. J. Farwell, Geo. T. Smith, and Arthur McGill, of Vancouver, are staying at the Dominion hotel.

Mrs. C. Wheeler arrived in the city from Duncan last evening, and registered at the Strathcona hotel.

Dr. James L. Turnbull and Mrs. Turnbull arrived yesterday at the Empress hotel from Vancouver.

RUSSIAN OPERA.

Mrs. Van Ogle, of Seattle, Will Lecture Before Women's Canadian Club on Tuesday.

Members of the Women's Canadian club, as well as of the Women's University club and the Ladies' Musical club (who are especially invited as guests for the day), will have quite an interesting entertainment on Tuesday afternoon, when Mrs. Van Ogle, of Seattle, will deliver one of her popular illustrated lectures on Russian opera. The subject of the speaker's lecture will be Moussorgsky's "Boris Godunov," taken from the great national drama of the same name by the Russian poet, Pushkin.

Mrs. Van Ogle spent last year in Russia studying its music, and will illustrate her lecture with pianoforte selections. The lecture will begin at 3.30 in the Alexandra ballroom, and members are invited to bring lady or gentlemen friends.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Feb. 13.—5 a.m.—The barometer is now abnormally high over the North Pacific slope, and fair weather is general. Winds, generally fair and cold at night.

For 36 hours ending 5 p. m. Sunday, Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate winds, generally fair and cold at night. Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, generally fair and cold at night.

Reports.
Victoria—Barometer, 30.28; temperature, maximum yesterday, 45; minimum, 30; wind, 6 miles W.; rain, .17; weather, clear.
Vancouver—Barometer, 30.25; temperature, maximum yesterday, 40; minimum, 34; wind, 4 miles E.; rain, .52; weather, clear.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.18; temperature, maximum yesterday, 40; minimum, 30; wind, 10 miles W.; weather, clear.

Barkerville—Barometer, 30.06; temperature, maximum yesterday, 35; minimum, 19; wind, calm; snow, .42; weather, clear.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 30.10; temperature, maximum yesterday, 34; minimum, 30; wind, calm; rain, .06; weather, clear.

Tatoosh—Barometer, 30.25; temperature, maximum yesterday, 45; minimum, 40; wind, 20 miles N. W.; rain, .25; weather, clear.

Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 30.32; temperature, maximum yesterday, 48; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles N. W.; rain, .04; weather, cloudy.

Seattle—Barometer, 30.30; temperature, maximum yesterday, 50; minimum, 35; wind, 8 miles S. E.; rain, .34; weather, fair.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.28; temperature, maximum yesterday, 60; minimum, 46; wind, 6 miles S. E.; weather, clear.

Temperature.

Pentlton 37 ..
Nelson 36 ..
Calgary 35 ..
Edmonton 35 ..
Qu'Appelle 28 ..
Winnipeg 22 ..
Toronto 42 ..
Ottawa 34 ..
Montreal 35 ..
St. John 38 ..
Halifax 40 ..

Victoria Daily Weather.

Observations taken 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m., Friday:

Temperature.

Highest 44.5 ..
Lowest 40.9 ..
Average 42.5 ..
Minimum on grass 31.9 ..
Rain, .07-inch.

General state of weather, cloudy.

From the top of the Eiffel tower Paris can speak to Warsaw by means of wireless telegraphy.

AT THE THEATRES

PRINCESS THEATRE.

"Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," which the Allen Players are producing at the Princess theatre next week, is a play in a class by itself. It has no really dramatic or thrilling moments in it. Nor is it all comedy—as some of the scenes between lovable Mrs. Wiggs and the children in the play are full of tender pathos. Mrs. Wiggs is a very human character—a character taken from real life. There are women in every city just like Mrs. Wiggs—women who no matter what troubles may befall them, can turn a bright face to the world, who can hide the tears that well behind an optimistic smile. It is a beautiful story, beautifully told. Special rehearsals are being held, and great interest is being taken in the production by the various members of the company. The advance sale is now on at the box office. To-night will be the closing performance of "The Third Degree," which has been proving very popular during the past week.

PANTAGES THEATRE.

A competition which bids fair to outstrip anything of the kind ever attempted at Pantages will be started on Monday next by Manager Rice. At all the evening performances during the week a picked squad of sixteen men from the 50th Highlanders will give a complete but compressed exhibition on the stage of the various drills and exercises which form their training at the Willows on the stage. This will include exhibitions from the manual of arms, wall scaling, etc., and altogether will make a very attractive and entertaining act to add to the six good turns which are on the regular vaudeville programme of the show.

The second stage of the competition will be reached on Monday week when it is confidently expected that the 88th regiment will send a squad to represent them in the contest; and the week after sixteen men from the Fifth regiment will compete. The judges will consist of a board of regular army officers, who will decide at the end of the competition which men have justly earned the prizes, consisting of a suitably inscribed medal for each of the winning team. Exhibitions throughout the whole three weeks will be given at each performance every night.

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GRAND MASQUERADE BALL

Valuable Prizes Being Offered for Best Costumes at Eagles' Ball on Tuesday Night.

Many novel features will be introduced in the programme of the Eagles' grand masquerade ball which will be held in the Connaught hall on Tuesday evening, and there is every prospect that the event this year will be the largest and best that the Fraternal Order of Eagles has ever held. Each year this ball has been growing in popularity, last year over five hundred dancers participated. Judging by the sale of tickets this year up to the present, the event may be patronized even better than formerly.

A keen contest for the prizes is promised. The two handsome prizes for the best lady and gentleman representing any of the allies will make the competition in this respect very interesting. Two useful prizes will be given for the best lady and gentleman in costume representing made-in-Victoria goods, and the idea offers suggestions to local manufacturers for the advertisement of the wares. Then there is a grand tombola prize, in the winning of which every lady or gentleman, whether dancing or merely an

onlooker, will have a chance to win a beautiful 77-piece dinner set.

The complete prize list is as follows, the various articles mentioned being on view in the windows of Weller Bros., Government street: Grand tombola prize for ladies, 77-piece dinner set; best dressed lady, mahogany dresser; best costume representing any of the allies, lady, silver toilet set; best costume representing any of the allies, gentleman, shaving set; best costume representing goods made in Victoria, lady, tea set; best costume representing goods made in Victoria, gentleman, umbrella stand; most comical character, lady, hand-painted vase; most comical character, gentleman, smoking set.

Y. W. C. A. BOARD MEETING.

Association Activities for January Reported; Annual Meeting April 21.

The board of the Young Women's Christian Association held their regular monthly meeting yesterday afternoon, Mrs. Adams presiding, and the majority of the members of the executive being present.

Reports for the month showed activity in all departments. A sewing club, with 72 members, has been organized; Sunday services had been held each Sabbath, conducted by Rev. J. B. Warrick, Rev. Mr. Fortune, Rev. Mr. Hoyle and Rev. Mr. A. J. Doull respectively. Miss Paul had a revision study class which met regularly. The Girls' Auxiliary was doing good work in the gymnasium under direction of Miss Jarvis, and thirty-two members had attended the last meeting.

Quite an encouraging sign was found in the announcement that during the month twenty-five new members had joined the association, this, the president stated, not only helping the girls who had need of the association, but also assisting the association funds. It was pointed out that at the present time when funds are so badly required anyone taking out a membership would be giving practical assistance.

The Employment Bureau reported that during the month 54 applications for help had been received, 43 had registered as wanting employment, and 35 places had been filled. During the month 3,500 meals had been served in the dining-room, and 50 transients had been accommodated during the month. Miss Spencer had very kindly given flowers for the dining-table, and Mrs. Pemberton had frequently sent quantities of fruit.

The report of the Travelers' Aid showed that all the incoming boats had been visited, and twenty-six travelers assisted.

Miss Saunders, the national grand secretary, will arrive here from Toronto about April 21, and will give several addresses while here. The annual meeting of the Y. W. C. A. will take place on March 16, at 3 p. m.

"Sir," said the youth to the American, "I have called to ask you to give me your daughter's hand in marriage." "You have?" "Yes, sir. I believe I—"

"Cut out the stuttering. That isn't the important point. Does my daughter want to marry you?" "Yes, sir." "What about her mother?" "She opposes the match, sir." "She does? Then my daughter favors you and my wife doesn't?" "Yes, sir. We want you to use your influence on our side." "No, sir. It can't be done. Don't expect it. I'm too good an American to take sides and too strong an admirer of the Wilson administration to show prejudice. No, sir, not on your life! I'm a neutral!"

URGES RETENTION OF PRESENT SCALE

Real Estate Exchange Believes High Assessment Better With Low Rate

The revision of the city assessment and the payment of taxes on a deposit basis were the principal subjects before a special meeting of the Real Estate exchange held yesterday afternoon at Belmont house, President C. T. Cross in the chair.

A special committee consisting of A. R. Wolfenden, T. W. Howard, P. D. Morrison, A. W. Bridgman and L. U. Cross were appointed to wait on the city council and use every effort to have legislation enacted so that the suggestion of City Treasurer Smith for the payment of taxes by instalment in advance, and bearing interest, can be put into effect.

The special business of the meeting was in connection with the city assessment roll for 1915. President C. T. Cross, introducing the subject, emphasized the necessity for the great care that should be exercised in preparing the assessment roll. He thought that no material change should be made in the assessment, and it would be preferable to reduce the amount of mills on the dollar and keep the assessment where it now is, rather than have a reduction on both.

A. R. Wolfenden expressed the opinion that the assessment should stand as it is. He thought that if any reduction was made it would affect the credit of the city in the sale of debentures.

W. C. Bond stated that in a number of cases the assessment was far too high and property was not assessed equally.

A. W. Bridgman also spoke with regard to the unequal assessment, quoting cases of two opposite corner lots on Blanshard street, where the difference was almost 100 per cent. in the assessed value.

F. Landsberg stated that the Retrenchment association had gone into this matter, and he believed that nothing but a bad effect on the public would be the result of a reduction in the assessed value; this effect would be greater with investors from outside points. The fact was also emphasized that in a number of cases, if the assessment roll is revised, certain assessments would be increased; therefore where any increase was made such parties would not benefit by the reduced taxation brought about by the retrenchment in civic expenditure. If a reduction was made it should be pro rata, and not on one particular class of property.

The exchange appointed a committee consisting of the president (Mr. Cross), J. Porman, F. B. Pemberton, P. R. Brown, A. B. Fraser and Beaumont Boggs to draft a letter to be in the hands of the city council by Monday night, pointing out the effect any change in the assessment will have in relation to the credit of the city from the investors' and mortgagees' viewpoint.

Copies of the code of ethics as adopted by the National Association of Real Estate exchanges was placed in the hands of the members, and after perusal unanimously adopted.

Letters were read from the Los Angeles realty board in connection with the National Association of Real Estate exchanges' convention, which is to be held in that city June 21 to 24, 1915, requesting the names of those realty men from Victoria who intend to visit the convention to be sent in as soon as possible.

The secretary was instructed to advise by the members of the letter that making arrangements to visit the San Francisco exposition to arrange their trip to fit in with the convention of Real Estate exchanges.

APPEAL FOR HOSPITAL

Order of St. John of Jerusalem Collecting Money to Equip General Hospital.

The Grand Priory of the Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem in England has forwarded a circular letter saying that the council has approved of an offer from the order to provide and maintain for service abroad or at home, for a period of not less than six months, a fully equipped general hospital of 525 beds, to be designated as "The St. John Ambulance Brigade Hospital."

Sir Herbert Perrott, secretary of the general council of the order, states that the probable cost of each bed will be \$100 for the year, and expresses the hope that all members of the order and associates will, by personal contributions and otherwise, make the proposed hospital a complete success.

Any person contributing \$500 would have a bed bearing his or her name. Any town or city raising that sum could have a bed dedicated to them, or the province as a whole may contribute sufficient to have one or more beds known as the British Columbia beds.

There are over 2,000 certificate holders in British Columbia. If each one contributes \$1.00 or more, according to his means, a handsome sum could be realized for this laudable purpose. He would have the privilege, at a very small cost, of contributing to the welfare of those who have bravely gone to the front. Canadians are now in the firing line, and no doubt many of them will be wounded, and it will be a satisfaction to know that some effort is being made to relieve their suffering.

It is hoped that contributions will be sent before February 28, to the secretary at the local centre, E. Jacobs, or to the chairman, A. J. Duggan, who will in turn forward it to the honorary secretary of the B. C. council.

If a man permits largeness of heart to degenerate into softness of head, he is inevitably becoming a nuisance in any relation of life.—Roosevelt.

REVIEW OF EVIDENCE WILL BEGIN MONDAY

Mr. Justice Murphy and Assessors to Start on Judgment at Once

The Westholme suit against the city of Victoria came to an end yesterday afternoon in the supreme court when W. J. Taylor, K. C., appearing for the Westholme company, closed his address on the evidence, and W. B. A. Ritchie, K. C., for the city, offered some more authorities to the pile previously presented for Mr. Justice Murphy's consideration. Mr. Ritchie then cordially thanked the court for the courtesy extended him, a stranger in a strange city, during the course of the trial, and exchanged felicitations with Mr. Taylor on the very happy relations that had existed between counsel during the progress of the trial.

Yesterday the supreme court chamber had the largest audience since the trial commenced on January 5. The fact that Mr. Taylor was to make his technical address drew a large number of lawyers, and the back of the court was crowded with people, many of whom thought that a judgment would be delivered when the addresses ended. This, however, was not the case, for with the evidence of six weeks to go over, Mr. Justice Murphy very naturally reserved judgment. His Lordship said it was the intention of the assessors and himself to begin work together on the review of the evidence Monday morning.

At the conclusion of the counsel's address Mr. Justice Murphy took down the cause of action, and the claim of the company, it being an action to rescind the contract for the construction of the Sooke lake waterworks project on the grounds of misrepresentation and fraud against the city, and against Wynn Meredith there was charged failure in a duty.

Mr. Taylor, commenting on the fact that the city as a defendant might not have known of the misrepresentation alleged against the engineer, said that innocent misrepresentation was sufficient to set the contract aside. His clients had performed certain work that the city had taken the benefit of. The company wanted to do the work the city had since done, and the company should have the profit of it.

Mr. Ritchie, in making a reference to the wage clause of the contract, referred to the fact of a living wage scale being the basis of employment. To this Mr. Justice Murphy asked if the inclusion of this clause was as much for the benefit of the workmen as to ensure the seats of the aldermen at the next election.

Mr. Taylor's comments in the afternoon briefly were that the company had done 46% of the work before being put off the work in one year and three months, whereas the city having taken over the work with all plans prepared was not able to finish the work just over one-half, in a little less than two years and two months. He spoke at length on the site, claiming that the company had expected the lines, but that the city had not acquired the property at the time the company was put to work. Mr. Meredith had testified that the drawings and profile supplied the contractors had shown the location made, but he admitted the contract had been written before the surveys were made, and he was unable to say whether the contractors had complete plans, even when they left the work.

The point had arisen during the trial whether the Westholme company had not waived its claims to damages by continuing with the contract. On this head Mr. Taylor pointed out that it had taken the court nearly six weeks to find out that the work as done was entirely different to that contracted for. Was it reasonable to suppose that Mr. Cameron who is not

an engineer would have appreciated the fact?

Mr. Taylor also raised the point that in view of the fact that the work as it had been carried out is entirely different to that which, the ratepayers authorized by by-law, there was a legal point raised as to whether in the absence of the ratepayers' approval of the new work it should not be necessary for the city to apply to the legislature to legalize the payments made by the city for the work as done. The city might find it necessary to have the work as done ratified.

MILITARY CONCERT.

Men of 30th Battalion and Canadian Mounted Rifles Provide Entire Programme of Pleasing Variety.

The following is the programme of the very successful concert given on Thursday evening at the Royal Victoria theatre by members of the 30th battalion and the 2nd C. M. R.:

Lieut. Muirhead, 30th battalion, vocal solo, "My Old Shako;" Trooper H. Moody, 2nd C. M. R., cornet solo (for which encore was demanded), "The Flight of Ages;" Corp. Pilkington, 30th battalion, vocal solo, "King Charles;" Lance Corp. Eastman, 30th battalion, vocal solo, "Three for Jack;" Sergt. E. E. Priest, 30th battalion, vocal solo, "When the Bell in the Lighthouse Rings;" and, for an encore, "Up From Somerset;" Trooper E. Newton, 2nd C. M. R., vocal solo, with "Dorrien" for an encore; Lance Corp. Thompson, 30th battalion, violin solo, "The Broken Melody." The last artist for an encore gave an imitation of the Scotch bagpipes.

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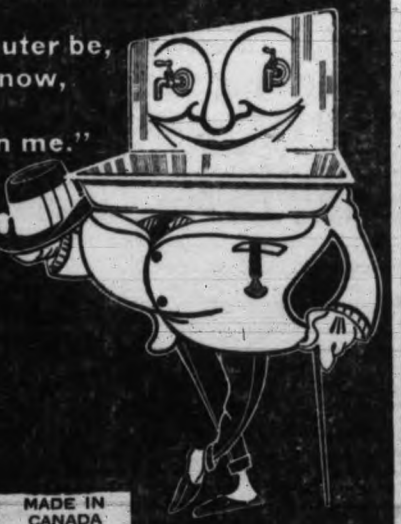
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CROWDS AT BIG BALL

HELD LAST EVENING

Function Organized by Florence Nightingale Chapter Proves Delightful Event

Hundreds attended the ball given last evening by the Florence Nightingale Chapter, I. O. D. E., in aid of the Red Cross and other patriotic work of the chapter. The event, held at the Victoria Hotel, was a most successful one. The room was decorated with the colors of the Red Cross, and the program was most interesting. The chapter, which is composed of women, has been very active in its work, and the ball was a most successful one. The chapter, which is composed of women, has been very active in its work, and the ball was a most successful one.

The chapter had spared no effort or ingenuity to make the event thorough and delightful from every standpoint. Both the hall and the dining-room upstairs were adorned with color, enormous poinsettias in the former, carrying out the color of the Red Cross workers all over the world, and a great Red Cross gleaming in electric lights from one end of the hall. Giant wreaths of ivy and laurel hung about the walls of the room, and a reminder of the patriotic character of the undertaking was seen in the clusters of small flags which were studded about the moulding. Upstairs, where the big dining-room was placed at the disposal of the guests for supper, bowls of golden daffodils tied with deep satin ribbon and fairy bows of tulle adorned the tables, and the decorations were effective in the scheme of decoration so ably carried out under the direction of Mrs. Elliott. The catering was excellent, being under the direction of Mr. Campbell.

The musical programme was exceptionally good, Miss Thain's seven-piece orchestra supplying all the latest dance measures. The floor committee was active in looking after the comfort of the guests, being as follows: Dr. Home, Dr. Hudson, Dr. H. E. Ridewood, Dr. George Hall, Dr. Lottin, Messrs. F. B. Pemberton, H. G. Garrett, T. Meredith Jones, J. D. Virtue, Despard and Warren Pemberton.

The regent, Mrs. Hazell, was present, as well as a large number of the members of the chapter, all of whom, together with the following members of the special committee on arrangements, were active in promoting the success of the event: Mrs. Fleming (convenor), Miss Green, Mrs. Elliott, Miss Taylor and Miss Gaden.

The event was patronized by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Barrington, the latter appearing in a very handsome gown of pale grey brocade with ivory lace; Rear-Admiral Story, R. N.; Commander Hesse, R. N.; Mrs. Hesse; Lieut.-Colonel Winsby and Mrs. Winsby; the Hon. W. J. Bowser, Mrs. Bowser and Miss Euphie Bowser; Mayor Stewart, Hon. D. M. Eberhart and Miss Eberhart, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Musket, Mr. and Mrs. Sayward, Miss Margaret Sayward, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver and Miss Catharine Oliver; Miss Jones and Miss Ruth Jones; Mrs. Arthur Robertson and Miss Grace Robertson; Mr. and Mrs. Agnew, Mrs. Pierce, Mrs. G. H. Turner, Mrs. Lynch, Mrs. David Miller, Dr. and Mrs. Gordon, Miss Jessie Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Pethick, Miss Cross, Dr. and Mrs. Hudson, Miss Phyllis King, Mrs. Granville Cuppage, Miss Haggerty, Miss Cecilia Helmcken, Miss C. Green, Mrs. Jones, the Misses Mesher, Mrs. Simpson, Miss Kent, Mrs. Bert Jones, Miss Robertson, Mrs. Macdonald, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Charles Wilson, Miss Ethel Jones, Mrs. Robinson, Miss Winona Troup, Miss Vera Mason, Miss Cochrane, Mrs. W. J. Roper, Mrs. Fleming, Miss Munro, Miss Lovell, Miss Lucy Little, Miss Brownie, Bodwell, Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. Lemon, Mrs. and Mrs. Arthur Cressie, Dr. and Mrs. O. M. Jones, Miss Easton, Mrs. Bullen, Lieut. H. Robinson and Mrs. Robinson, Messrs. Humphrey, Johnson, Macdonald, Hodgkinson, Livingstone, Buss, Simpson, Robertson, Halg Smellie, H. Beckwith, Wright, Gaynor, B. H. T. Drake, Lowther, Murray, F. B. Pemberton, Findlay, Gunnison, Reade, Garrett, Vaughn, S. C. Nott, Proctor, Byan, Palethorpe, Lieuts. Hicks, Nation, Acland, Edwards, Dunsmuir, Capt. Douglas Pullen, Lake, Langtry, Robinson and others.

Five debutantes were at the ball, these being Miss Margaret Sayward, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sayward; Miss Catharine Oliver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver; Miss Jones and Miss Ruth Jones, and Miss Grace Robertson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robertson.

The formation of a contingent, consisting of one company of the Canadian Officers' Training Corps, to be designated the "McGill University College Contingent Canadian Officers' Training Corps," Vancouver, B. C., is authorized.

Sir Richard McBride yesterday entertained Lieutenant-Colonel Hall and other officers of the battalion at luncheon at the Parliament buildings. The function was of memorable interest and took the nature of a leave-taking, in the course of the luncheon Colonel Hall expressing on behalf of the whole battalion appreciation for the kind and courteous shown them on various occasions by the premier.

LOCAL NEWS

Sea Gull Whirl.—This popular and pretty dance is expected to add variety to the Eagles' masquerade ball on next Tuesday evening.

Evangelist to Preach.—William Sampson, the noted Cornish evangelist who has been holding the lectures this past week at Albert Head, will preach to-morrow evening in the Strangers' rest, Government street, at 7.30 p. m.

Stole Fishing Rod.—Edward Simpson, charged with stealing a fishing rod, the property of J. Price, was found guilty in the police court this morning and was sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

Call of Fire.—The fire department was called out this afternoon to 1214 Douglas street, to the rear of the B. C. Wine company's premises, where hot ashes had caused a small outbreak. The loss was trifling.

Mrs. M. A. Wyde, of Shawinigan Lake, is a guest of Mrs. Shaw, October Mansions.

Mrs. G. H. Hall and her daughter, Miss Lucille Hall, this city, left last night on a visit to San Francisco.

APPROPRIATION FOR

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM

Expenditure By-law to Be Amended Monday; Situation at Bank Street

The civic expenditure by-law will be amended on Monday, before its final passage, to provide \$5,500 for the fire alarm apparatus, which is to be installed by the city under agreement with the Vancouver Island Fire Underwriters' association. Provision was made in the estimates for the building to house it, but in some way the actual appropriation was overlooked for the installation and apparatus.

An appointment will be made to the position of market superintendent, and it is understood there will be a meeting of the committee earlier in the day to consider the numerous applications which are on file. The remuneration offered is not particularly tempting, but nevertheless a very large number of applications have been received for the position.

The situation with regard to Bank street is peculiar. Under a by-law passed last year, the city engineer started work on Bank street, between Cook and Ash streets, and the improvement work on that street being divided into the section north of Cowan avenue, mentioned above, and south to Quarmbach avenue. An owner of the street, James A. Bland, came before the aldermen in streets committee yesterday afternoon, and asked for the undertaking to be reconsidered. The matter will be mentioned in council on Monday.

The engineer will have a report in on the petition for the paving of Ash street. A complaint will be lodged against the sewerage station on lower Cook street, near May street, by residents in that district.

The cheque receipts for teachers' salaries for January are causing the comptroller lots of trouble. The teachers marked them "On account," and now they have to be all returned and re-signed, the initialing having to be done afresh by the mayor, the treasurer and comptroller. Mr. Raymer states that an impression prevails among some of the teachers that in accepting on account payments, the amount deducted will be returned at some future date. Such has not been the intention of the school trustees, who have merely given a pledge to return the salary schedule to the same basis as prevailed in December, 1914, when times get better.

On the whole it looks as if the business to be transacted on Monday will not engage the aldermen for long. On Tuesday morning there is a meeting of the special committee on water rates to manufacturers, and on Thursday a session of the court of revision on local improvements.

HUDDLESTON ABSENT

POLICE SEEKING HIM

Prisoner Breaks Prison at Night; Goes to House Where He Was Known

There is a police dragnet out at the present time in the hope of apprehending James Huddleston, a young man who yesterday evening, while being held a prisoner of the city awaiting trial for theft, escaped from the city jail, went to a house on Hillside avenue, where he had been known before his arrest, changed his clothing and departed into the night. He has not been seen since by any who are seeking him.

There have in the past been several escapes from the civic prison. One man found the iron door unlocked and kicked a panel from the wood door and then passed through the city hall to the street. Others have got over the wall and on to the roof and down blanket ropes or the water spout. It was the blanket route that was chosen by Huddleston.

The man was arrested with two others by Detectives Edens, Heather and Macdonald and was charged with stealing a bicycle. He was afterwards suspected of a theft at the house of a Chinese on Fisgard street. He and the other two were before the court yesterday and were remanded until to-day. This morning the two who remained in prison were again remanded.

Huddleston is a young man of about 26 years of age, and was connected with some advertising work in Victoria.

He was seen in the city prison last night at 6.30, and the next the police heard of him was in the course of a telephone message from a house on Hillside avenue to the effect that Huddleston was there changing his clothes and having a wash. By the time the police wagon reached the house the man had gone. Beyond a report that he had been seen going in the direction of Oak Bay in a rig nothing has been heard of him since.

An examination of the premises showed the police that Huddleston had taken a chance on accident in making his escape. He had prepared a very thin rope of blanket strips which he let down from bars over the wall. He had then climbed the wall and descended on the thin rope.

Young Husband (to wife).—"Didn't I tell you not to bring your mother with you?" Young Wife.—"I know. That's what she wants to see about."

SUGGESTS TEST CASE

Ward I. Sanich, Ratepayers' Association, and Mount Tomlin Park Association.

At the meeting of the Ward I. Sanich, Ratepayers' association, held last evening at Cedar Hill, the members decided on the motion of A. E. Horner to ask the municipal council to test the validity of the claim to the sixteen acres at Mount Tomlin, dedicated as a park, by having some improvements effected thereon. The Anglican system, it was stated, claims the right of the sixteen acres in dispute. A discussion subsequently took place on the question of secession of Wards I. and III. from the municipality and a committee was appointed to go into the question.

G. E. Davidson, president of the Central Ratepayers' association, addressed the meeting on the subject. He pointed out that Ward III. residents were unwilling to pay for some of the improvements which are required by Ward I. owners. There was some doubt of the advisability of the proposal on the present lines.

The committee of three was appointed with power to add to its numbers, to act with the committee appointed at Gordon Head on Tuesday.

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WILL PREACH THREE SUNDAYS IN CITY

Rev. C. A. Sykes, of Toronto, Takes Duty at First Congregational Church

Rev. Charles A. Sykes, B.D., late pastor of St. Paul's Methodist church, Avenue road, Toronto, arrived in the city last evening and will take the services to-morrow at the First Congregational church, where, it is hoped, he may find his future field of work.

Mr. Sykes came direct from the east to the Pacific coast, and in the short time since his arrival has been busy taking observations. This morning he visited the First Congregational church with an idea of seeing the plant prepared for the housing of the big institutional activities of that body a few years ago. He also went over St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, the Metropolitan Methodist church, St. John's church, and the new First Presbyterian church, part of which is now in course of construction. For a city the size of Victoria he was very much impressed with the large buildings provided for the church life of the community, and to a Times reporter this morning remarked that if the auditoriums of the respective buildings enumerated were any indication of the size of the congregations, then the church attendance of Victoria must be quite unusual.

An enthusiastic advocate of institutional work in the church, Mr. Sykes has studied with a close attention to the immediate as well as the more lasting results of the work, the effect of organized social life in the church. In all the big churches in Toronto, practically, there is provision made on a large scale for gymnasias, lunch-rooms, rest-rooms, and other things which are generally understood in the term "institutional." The Metropolitan Methodist church, the Bond Street Congregational church, Cook's Presbyterian church, St. James' Cathedral and others had all arranged for the housing of such activities within the church, with most gratifying results in the spiritual as well as the social life of the community.

There was at present scarcely a church in the central part of the city which had not by this time organized in such a way as to admit of such departments. The institution of a director of activities within the church, with all the big churches in Toronto, practically, there is provision made on a large scale for gymnasias, lunch-rooms, rest-rooms, and other things which are generally understood in the term "institutional." The Metropolitan Methodist church, the Bond Street Congregational church, Cook's Presbyterian church, St. James' Cathedral and others had all arranged for the housing of such activities within the church, with most gratifying results in the spiritual as well as the social life of the community.

One of Mr. Sykes' first observations to the Times was with respect to Victoria's weather. Leaving Toronto under its blanket of two feet of snow, he was delighted to find the city in the Rockies at the end of his long journey, and find himself in a country of summer-like conditions, despite the rain which cast a gloom over the landscape yesterday. He left his pastorate at St. Paul's by advice of his physician, who ordered a complete change of scene. This Mr. Sykes seems convinced he has found in Victoria.

Questioned as to the unemployment in the Ontario hospital, the visitor said that the exceptional snowfall of the winter had been a blessing in disguise, as it had given 20,000 men employment over a period of three weeks shovelling away the snow.

Prior to assuming the pastorate of St. Paul's church in Toronto, Mr. Sykes was for three years at Wesley Methodist church. It is interesting to know that he was at one time fellow-student of Rev. Hermon Carson, later pastor of the First Congregational church here.

Both the morning and evening services at the Congregational church to-morrow will be in his charge, his subject at 11 a. m. to be "Jesus Himself." In the evening his topic will be, in view of the Peace Centenary celebration, "The World's Armies and Navies, and International Peace." In the afternoon he will address the 4 o'clock meeting at the Y. M. C. A., delivering a special message to men bearing on the great war.

RECENT CONTRIBUTIONS.

Patriotic Aid Society's Fund Augmented Steadily With Donations From Many Sources.

The following are among the recent contributions to the funds of the Victoria Patriotic Aid society:

Employees of Messrs. Grant, Smith & Co., and Macdonnell, \$27.75; employees of B. C. Electric Railway company, \$45.69; employees Victoria Gas company, \$8.58; employees V. I. Power Co., \$19.58; employees Albion Stove Works, Ltd., \$29.55; employees Turner Beeton & Co., \$49; staff Imperial bank, \$29.98; employees Pacific club, \$20; employees Dallas hotel, \$10.75; employees H. A. Paint company, \$3.20; the Hudson's Bay company, \$3.23; employees of B. C. Railway, \$24.25; and other employees, \$15.00; and crew, G. T. S. Prince George, \$33.45.

CAME HERE IN 1878

George Collins, Another Old-Timer, Passed Away Yesterday in Eighty-Third Year.

Yet another old-timer of the district passed away yesterday in the person of George Collins, who had lived here for thirty-seven years.

Mr. Collins, whose home was at 527 Hillside avenue, arrived in Canada in the year 1853, and came to Victoria in 1878, and had resided here ever since. For many years Mr. Collins carried on a prosperous hotel business on Store street, and was well known to most old-timers here, who will regret to hear of his death. The late Mr. Collins was born in Leith, Scotland, and was in his eighty-third year. He was a member of Dominion lodge, No. 4, I. O. O. F. He is survived by a widow living in this city. The funeral has been arranged to take place on Monday at 2.30 o'clock from the residence, where funeral services will be conducted. Interment will be made in Ross Bay cemetery.

OBITUARY RECORD

The funeral of the late Mrs. Mary McLeod, whose death occurred on Tuesday at the home of her son-in-law, Walter Allison, Royal Oak, took place Thursday afternoon from the above address. Rev. Robert Wilkinson conducting the services at the house, and Rev. Mr. Hadow at St. Michael's church, in the cemetery adjoining which interment was made. The deceased lady, who was in her 74th year, was a native of New Brunswick, and is survived by one son, Newton McLeod, of Victoria, and four daughters: Mrs. Fred Garnham, Menzies street, Victoria; Mrs. S. Cameron, of Prospect Lake; Mrs. Albert Allison and Mrs. Walter Allison, of Royal Oak; and twenty-five grandchildren.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between us, the undersigned, as Machinists and Bicycle Specialists, at number 265 Douglas street and 54 Johnson street, in the City of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, was dissolved on the 31st day of January, 1915, by mutual consent.

The undersigned, Antoni Fredrik Marconini, has taken over and will carry on the business at the premises, number 265 Douglas street aforesaid, and the undersigned, Alfred Gustave Marconini, has taken over and will carry on the business at the premises, number 54 Johnson street aforesaid.

All debts owing to said partnership, until further notice, are to be paid to the Merchants' Protective Association, 304 Hibernia-Bone Building, Victoria, B. C. Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 8th day of February, 1915.

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ALFRED GUSTAVE MARCONINI.
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Re William Templeman, Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all creditors and persons having any claims or demands against the Estate of William Templeman, late of the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, deceased, who died on or about the 15th day of November, 1914, and whose will was proved by the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, by the executors therein named, on the 4th day of December, 1914, in the Supreme Court of British Columbia, are hereby required to send in the particulars of their claims and demands to the said Executors on or before the 15th day of February, 1915. Particulars of such claims and demands may be effectually given by being delivered to Alexander B. Fraser, one of the above named Executors, whose address is 1222 Broad street, Victoria, B. C. AND NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that after the 15th day of February, 1915, the executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall have then had notice, and that they will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof so distributed to any person of whose debt or claim they shall not then have had notice. Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 15th day of January, 1915.

JACKSON & BAKER,
Solicitors for the above named Executors.

NOTICE TO RATEPAYERS DESIRING PAVEMENTS OR PERMANENT SIDEWALKS.

With a view to finding early employment on local improvement works, a limited amount of paving and permanent sidewalk work will be done during 1915 as relief work at a considerably reduced cost to the owners or property fronting thereon. Those property owners desirous of taking advantage of this offer (whether the work has already been petitioned for, or not) must have sufficient signed petitions presented to the City Council not later than the 28th of February next, requesting that the work be proceeded with. Everything else being equal, petitions first received will receive first consideration, but the Council does not bind itself to proceed with all, or any, work petitioned for.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
City Clerk's Office, Victoria, B. C.
Jan. 29th, 1915.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Board of License Commissioners for the City of Victoria at their next sitting for a transfer of the liquor license now held by me in respect of the Ritz Hotel, situated at 710 Fort Street, in the City of Victoria, to George Fortin and Henry Fortin, both of the said City of Victoria.

Dated this 22nd day of November, 1914.

B. L. ROBERTSON.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Board of License Commissioners for the City of Victoria at their next sitting for a transfer of the liquor license now held by me in respect of the Westholme Hotel, situated at No. 101 Government street, in the City of Victoria, to Edward Bonner, of the said City of Victoria.

Dated this 22nd day of November, 1914.

F. F. TROTTER.

PLAIN SPEAKING ON RELIEF SITUATION

Aldermen Decline to Give Pledge on Future Programme

Some plain speaking was indulged in at the conference of the city aldermen with the committee of the Central Employment and Relief organization yesterday afternoon on relief matters. The delegation declared that the council had been lax in not devising schemes for improvement.

Aldermen McNeill, Porter and Todd spoke of what work had been done, and repudiated the allegation of neglect. The mayor said: "We have done more than we have ever got credit for." Still he expressed the opinion that the meeting would understand the actual situation as to what the council was really doing.

The delegation withdrew without any definite pledge being made.

Rev. William Stevenson explained the objects of the bureau, and said the bureau had from the registrations shown it filled a "long-felt want." He alluded to the extent of the nationalities represented, and the way in which work had been found, and expressed the opinion that the desire of the committee in pressing for a mayor's fund was not for relief work, but for the establishment of remunerative public works. "It is no use to go on unless we have some money to spend," he proceeded, and the relief committee was hoping that some city works would be put in hand at once, to relieve the situation.

"We want you to take it to heart today that there are 800 men registered, and those men face blank starvation unless you do something," he continued.

Next he emphasized the desirability of distributing evenly such work as there is. A number of workmen had already indicated the advantage which would accrue if the city employment bureau was absorbed by the central organization. The speaker made reference to the improvement of the High School grounds, and assured the committee that whatever money was spent would be dispensed economically. He looked forward to the serious problem in the empire when the war was over, but in the vast number of men now engaged would have to be absorbed into the industry of the country. For that time they should prepare themselves.

In conclusion he said: "Our work is done than what has been accomplished."

E. C. B. Bagshaw expressed the regret of the committee that nothing definite had been accomplished. He regretted that after the war was six months old so little had been done to remedy the situation. The council should tell them what was going to happen. As they knew, 30 or 40 men at Goldstream were engaged cutting cordwood under Salvation Army auspices, and he had received an offer from a neighboring land-owner of 200 cords of wood, which would be available if the council liked to organize a relief work on this plan.

Dr. J. J. Millar stated: "If you sat with me for half an hour in the office you would be all converts to the question of unemployment." It was a most important question, he said, and they could not pass it up, nor side-step the issue.

John Day believed the aldermen knew

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that at the present Session of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia the Municipality of Saanich will ask that the Waterworks By-Law, 1914, be validated and confirmed, and that the Municipality be authorized and empowered to construct, operate and maintain the waterworks system in accordance with the plans, specifications and estimates referred to in the said By-Law, notwithstanding the alleged non-compliance with Section 16 and Sub-sec. 22 of Section 24 of the Municipal Act.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 25th day of January, 1915.

BAIRDARD, ROBERTSON, HEISTER, MAN & TAIT,
Solicitors for the Municipality of Saanich.

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of the situation, and said it was surprising a body of citizens should have to address them on a subject of that character, upon which the aldermen ought to have a definite policy. On behalf of the Trades and Labor Council he wished to thank Alderman Bell for standing up for good payment for outside civic labor.

"There is every reason for immediate action," said Mrs. Gordon, who explained the urgency for a start.

J. L. Martin advocated the immediate amalgamation of the central bureau and the civic bureau on Yates street. While the amount of money for local improvement work was limited, the bureau should assist the unemployed in securing private work. There was a limit to the patience of the unemployed, and it would be unwise to strain it too far.

The mayor stated that immediately it was announced some work would be started, people had commenced to come in from all over the province, thus aggravating the situation.

The Affiliated Friendly Societies' association, it was explained, as a result of careful investigation, had discovered the extent of the present situation. Their representative stated that for months the council had been dicker with the question, and was doing absolutely nothing. He submitted that the government should come to the relief of the situation.

Alderman McNeill repudiated the insinuation that the council had done nothing. He explained what had been started in the way of relief work since the war began, and denied they had been unsympathetic in treating the situation. "The general public come along," he said, "and expect that the council can reach a decision in twenty-four hours." As a matter of fact the council was already doing some work. He personally favored the cordwood-cutting scheme mentioned. It was absurd to expect that the council could find a job for every citizen.

Alderman Todd, chairman of the paying committee, said the people who

had spoken at the request of the mayor.

"It is not a problem of fact," he concluded, "and if the council does not want us we will disband."

Alderman Dilworth believed that the council had no obligation to maintain "floating" population which had drifted in.

Alderman Bell justified the attitude of the committee, and said after their close attention to the subject of unemployment it was not surprising that they spoke with vigor.

Alderman Sargent made allusion to the sale of fresh fish for the first time in the produce market, and advised the unemployed to catch the harvest of the seas for sale here, cutting out the peddlers.

Alderman O'Neill favored a transfer of the value street bureau of the central bureau.

Alderman McCandless and Alderman Fullerton spoke briefly. The latter stated that the colony farm scheme of the Development Association would have done a great deal to provide work for the situation, but the government would give them no assistance. The government would do nothing to relieve the embarrassment of the council. The city had not been lax, in fact, unless things became better the civic departments would be unable to continue in the present form.

INSPECTED THE LINE
Party of Legislators Go Over the Canadian Northern Pacific as Far as Cisco Bridge.

The Victoria members of the party which went to the site of the Cisco bridge on the Canadian Northern Pacific railway yesterday returned to the city this morning. The trip was a very pleasant one and the state of the line was commented upon favorably by the members of the legislature.

From the city there went over on Thursday night Hon. Thomas Taylor, minister of railways; R. H. Pooley, Esq.; J. G. Corry Wood, Alberni; H. F. W. Behnen, Victoria; N. F. Mackay, Kaslo; William Hunter, St. John; W. J. Manson, Dewdney; Michael Manson, Comox; William Manson, Skena; H. H. Watson, Vancouver; John R. Jackson, Greenwood; Lorne A. Campbell, Roseland; Frank J. MacKenzie, Delta; S. A. Cawley, Chilliwack; Alex. Lucas, Yale; and D. O. Lewis, district engineer of the C. N. P. in Victoria. In Vancouver the party was joined by T. H. White, chief engineer of the road; Mayor Gray, of New Westminster; Reeve Sullivan, of Surrey; C. F. Hamilton, H. Cary, H. Jennings, Prince Rupert; J. Boland, C. E. Buckley, J. M. Mercer, manager of the Northern Construction company, contractors for the road; W. G. Swan, engineer of the coast division and others.

From Port Mann to Cisco bridge the road follows the south and east banks of the Fraser for one hundred and seventy miles. This distance was made on the outward trip in six and one-half hours, and on the return in an hour less. In the canon the train was held to slow speed on account of recent rains which might have loosened earth and rock in the cuts. At no point, however, was there any halt necessary for that reason.

At Cisco the train was pulled into the centre of the big span of the bridge and halted there to allow the party to take in the magnificent view up and down the river canon at that point, and then the return trip was commenced at once. Leaving the end of the Fraser river bridge at Port Mann the line passes through the districts of Langley, Surrey, Sumas and Chilliwack, in all of which there is a great deal of land under cultivation. On the return journey speeches were made by Hon. Mr. Taylor, H. H. Watson, Alex. Lucas, Lorne Campbell, William Manson and other members of the party.

POLLING TO-DAY

Oak Bay Electors Are Voting on Drainage By-law for \$30,000.

Polling is taking place to-day at the school house, Oak Bay avenue, by the electors of the municipal district of Oak Bay on the new by-law authorizing the borrowing of the sum of \$30,000 for the construction of a municipal surface drainage system.

The council appeals to the electors to support the proposal on several grounds. Instead of a piecemeal system the policy of a general surface drainage system is proposed as a connected and complete whole, giving immediate completion of a work which ought to be done. It is properly chargeable to capital as being of a permanent character, and further will give the unemployed a speedy means of relief. The council estimates the



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